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BLOOMSBURG'S VOTE.

Tuesday's Election—The Successful Candidates.—W. R. Kocher, the Prohibitionist Elected President of the Town Council.

Tuesday's election was a rather quiet affair, there being no contest except on the President of the Town Council. The votes cast in each ward are as follows :

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	T.
*W. R. Kocher	92	132	111	93	428
W. O. Holmes	99	59	111	82	351
W. H. Gilmore	39	33	96	82	250
MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.					
*F. J. Richards	169	177	349	207	902
E. A. Rawlings	163	86	302	88	639
*Thos. Gorrey	207	135	144	162	648
*H. G. Supplee	321	109	402	335½	1467½
*John Kelly	106	55	245	339	735
*W. S. Rishton	273	134	206	186	799
*Henry Hower	121	354	149	157½	781½
SCHOOL DIRECTORS.					
*J. C. Rutter	161	195	201	243	800
*W. E. Rinker	201	219	241	141	804
J. R. Townsend			4		4
TAX COLLECTOR.					
*L. D. Kase	126	130	197	138	591
E. J. Stetler	78	63	83	102	226
ASSESSOR					
*W. E. Knorr	114	....	....	....	114
W. H. Yetter	104	....	....	....	104
*Chas. Sterner	....	121	....	....	121
John Scott	....	88	....	....	88
*J. V. Logan	....	....	148	....	148
Clem R. Weiss	....	....	122	....	122
*E. H Harrar	....	....	....	175	175
William Mushler	....	....	....	63	63
JUDGE OF ELECTION.					
*Theo. Smith	123	....	....	....	123
C. S. Furman	88	....	....	....	88
*Samuel Pursel	....	123	....	....	123
Wm. Fleckenstine	....	86	....	....	86
*Robt. Penman	....	....	167	....	167
Robt. McBride	....	....	113	....	113
*Harvey Giger	....	....	....	142	142
W. H. Crossley	....	....	....	91	91
INSPECTOR OF ELECTION.					
*E. H. Ent	101	....	....	....	101
*F. C. Eyer	89	....	....	....	89
*S. W. Pugh	....	101	....	....	101
*Chas T Hendershott	98	....	....	....	98
*W. E. Dettterick	....	....	156	....	156
*Wm. Hassert	....	....	110	....	110
*John Tracy	....	....	....	119	119
*Elwood Heacock	....	....	....	104	104

Those marked with a * are the successful ones.

BASKET BALL.

The Central High School Team no Match for the Normal Champions.

The Normal School boys added another scalp to their belt on Friday night last, the victims this time being the Central High School of Philadelphia. There were several fine plays made, but owing to the fact that the visitors were entirely outclassed, the game proved uninteresting.

Captain Worthington distinguished himself by throwing three baskets. Detwiler's work was of the gilt edged order, and the work of Sharp, for the visitors, could not have been improved on. The line up:

NORMAL.		C. H. C.
Detwiler	attack	Mallery
Moore	attack	Marsner
Young	centre	E. Halderman
Harrar	defense	Sharp
Worthington	defense.	W. Halderman

Score Normal 33, C. H. S. 0.

Goals from field—Detwiler 6, Moore 2, Worthington 3. From foul Moore, Fouls—Mallery, W. S. Halderman, Moore 3, Worthington. Time—Two 20 minute halves. Referee Van Horn. Umpires—Smethers and Thomas.

Normal Notes.

Next Monday evening, February 22nd, is Washington's Birthday. On Normal Hill it will be the occasion of the Reunion of the Calliepian Literary Society.

Instead of getting up a drama or some other special program prepared by their own talent, they have engaged the celebrated Nashville Jubilee Singers.

There will be in this company of colored vocalists, some ten or twelve persons every one of whom is a trained specialist.

The program consists of Negro Plantation Songs, all of which will be sung in Plantation costume, also a goodly number of solos, duets, quartettes, in all a very happy combination of splendid music.

Every one knows of the fame and ability of these companies of trained plantation singers. This company is one of the very best. Our Calliepian friends have gone to an unusual expense to get them here.

Let all lovers of music not fail to be there next Monday evening. Diagram at Slate's.

DIED SUDDENLY.

John Q. Barkley, a well known resident of town, was stricken with appoplexy at about ten o'clock on Thursday night of last week, and died on Friday morning, at the home of his mother, where he has been living. The deceased was a single man and aged about fifty-one years. The funeral took place on Monday afternoon at two o'clock, conducted by Rev. D. N. Kirkby, of the Episcopal church. Interment in Rosemont cemetery.

The deceased was a member of the Odd Fellows, and the order attended the funeral in a body.

HON. JOSHUA W. COMLY.

Hon. Joshua W. Comly died at the Montour House, Danville, last Friday night, aged about 87 years. Twenty years ago he was known all over the state as a lawyer of great ability. His services were in demand in the trial of important causes in many counties. He had a large practice in this county, and when a case was on trial in which he was concerned as counsel, the court house was filled with people who came to witness his consummate skill, and to listen to his convincing arguments. He was graduated at Princeton and came to the Bar about 1831. The last case in which he was concerned was the famous Cameron will case. It was argued in the Supreme Court May 3rd and 4th, 1882. The last case he tried in Columbia County was the case of Books vs. Borough of Danville—Mr. Comly and Mr. Buckalew for Books ; Mr. W. J. Baldy and Mr. Freeze for the Borough.

In 1880, owing to defective hearing, he retired from active practice, and appeared as counsel only in a few cases after that date. Since that time he has led a retired life, spending much of his time among his books of which he had a valuable collection, both in law and literature. Mr. Comly was a man of the strictest honesty and integrity. It is said of him that he would never take a case until he was convinced that the claim of his client was just.

After his retirement he was always ready and willing to give advice to young lawyers, and he was often called upon by them for the benefit of his ripe judgment and legal learning.

The Bar of Columbia County met at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning. Mr. Freeze announced to the Court the death of Mr. Comly, and moved to have a minute thereof put upon the records. At the meeting of the Bar, Col. Freeze in the chair, the following gentlemen were named as a committee to draft minutes and resolutions : Messrs. Buckalew, Barkley, Geyer, Jackson and Robison.

The following resolutions were adopted :

The members of the Columbia County Bar sincerely regret the death of Joshua W. Comly, Esq., for many years of his useful and distinguished career, the leader of our Bar ; and desire to express their due appreciation of his great merit as a man and as a member of their profession. They therefore,

Resolve : That the public opinion which placed Mr. Comly at the head of the legal profession in our section of the State and claimed for him a high rank among the lawyers of the country, was a just tribute to his great abilities, and to his long, honorable, successful and distinguished career in professional life.

Resolved : That in his intercourse with other members of the Bar, he exhibited at all times a manliness of character and a friendly and genial spirit, which won for him their full confidence and warm regard, and will render their recollections of him most pleasurable and lasting.

The funeral was held at the Montour House on Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock, and from there the remains were taken to Milton for burial. Those in attendance from here were Judge Ikeler, Messrs. Buckalew, Freeze, Waller, Fritz and Elwell. Many lawyers and Judges from adjoining counties were present.

A meeting of the Bar of Montour county was held at the Danville Court House at 9 o'clock, when appropriate resolutions were adopted, and beautiful tributes to the memory of the deceased were made by James Scarlet Esq., and Col. J. G. Freeze.

There will be an entertainment in Barber's Hall at Stillwater on Tuesday evening the 23rd inst. Proceeds for the benefit of the W. C. T. U. An interesting program is being arranged. Music will be rendered by the Hamlin Orchestra. Admission 10 cents. Children free. The public is cordially invited.

At a meeting of the School Furnishing Company, held last week, the following directors were elected to serve for the ensuing year: J L. Moyer, W. M. Reber, N. U. Funk, J. C. Brown, and C. W McKelvy, Jr. President, F. P. Billmeyer; John Aikman, secretary; N. U. Funk, treasurer.

Agents representing different makes of bicycles are making Bloomsburg a stopping place these days. The town was full of them all week. There are probably more bicycles ridden here than in any other town of its size in this section of the state.

NORMAL DEFEATED.

The Normal boys, full of hope, and with the memory of the severe trouncing they administered to the Philadelphia boys on Friday night still fresh in their minds, went to Williamsport on Monday and suffered their first defeat of the season at the hands of the local team by the narrow margin of two points, the score being Williamsport 20, Normal 18.

Tuesdays' issue of the *Gazette* and *Bulletin* published at Williamsport, has the following to say of the game :

"If people ever were enthusiastic over basket ball the audience at the game in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium last night was. From the very start of the game everybody watched each move of play and not through the forty minutes' play did their interest wane. The game was the roughest exhibition of basket ball ever seen in this city, and for all the roughness there was but one foul called during the evening. The visiting team greatly outweighted the local players and as to roughness had a vantage from this point. However, the players were frequently cautioned against roughness and everything possible done to prevent such playing.

The local team does not usually play such ball and found it hard to resist the onslaughts of the heavier team, which has evidently been coached to put up rough ball.

For the home team Captain Sarvey, Hoagland, Lamade and Russell did the star playing and the defence of Kiessling was exceedingly clever, especially his part of team work.

On the opposing side Detwiler, Moore and Young did the best playing and secured all goals thrown to their credit. Several objections were made to rulings made by the referee, but all his decisions stood."

AN AGED CITIZEN DEAD.

Geo. W. Abbott died at the residence of his son-in-law, Dr. J. B. McKelvy, on Wednesday night at ten o'clock. He was the oldest resident of Bloomsburg with one exception, having been born on September 7th, 1801, and he was therefore 95 years, 5 months and 10 days old. He was born in Norristown, and resided there, and in Philadelphia, and Chester Co. until 1840, and since that time has spent most of his life in Bloomsburg. He was married in October, 1824, to Mary Craig, and five children were born, Mrs. Dr. McKelvy of this town, Miles, who is dead, and Thomas, John, and William, who reside in Brecken ridge, Colorado.

Mr. Abbott engaged in various business. He learned the engraving trade and afterward turned to milling and to other trades. He superintended the construction of the pier and abutments of the P. & R. bridge at Rupert. For the past eleven years he has lived at Dr. McKelvy's. He was afflicted with blindness and deafness, but retained his mental faculties. His death was peaceful, the human machinery being worn out and stopping so gradually that it was hardly known when he passed away.

The burial will be in Rosemont, but the date has not been fixed.

The second reception by the Woman's Auxiliary was held at the Parish House last Thursday evening. The musical portion of the program included solos by Mrs. Hall and Miss Miller, and instrumental music by Chas. P. Elwell pianist, Mr. Keiple, violinist, and Mr. McHenry, cornetist. "The Milk Maid," and "The King of Hearts" were given by several little folks in a very enjoyable way. There were games for the young people, and refreshments for everybody. The proceeds were about ten dollars.

The last reception will be held on Saturday evening next.

The 93rd anniversary of the birth of Eliza Sharpless, was celebrated at Catawissa on Tuesday. Those in attendance from Bloomsburg were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sharpless and their daughters, Mrs. J. W. Eyer and Mrs. T. J. Vanderslice. Quite a number of other relatives were present, from other places, included among the number was Mrs. Hal Jackson of Scranton. The occasion was a very enjoyable one and long to be remembered by all present.

A notorious character, whose name is Milton Cook, quarreled with his companion, James May, a negro, on Saturday, and shot him in the stomach. Cook was arrested and placed in jail. May was taken to a Wilkesbarre hospital. The affair occurred above Berwick, just over the line in Luzerne county.

COMING ENTERTAINMENTS.

Friday evening Feb. 19—Basket ball in Normal Gymnasium, Pittston vs Normal.

Friday evening February 19, the great American Magician, Douglass, at the Opera House.

Saturday evening, 20th inst. reception by the Woman's Auxiliary at the Parish House, from 7 to 9 o'clock. Silver collection at the door. Light refreshments, and a musical program..

Monday evening, 22nd inst. Calliepian Reunion at the Normal Auditorium. Concert by the Nashville Jubilee Singers.

The ladies of the G. A. R., Ent Circle, will serve a Martha Washington supper in their hall on Monday evening, February 22. Supper 12 cents.

On Monday evening, 22nd inst. Friendship Fire Co., will hold their 30th annual Ball, in Enterline's Hall.

Tuesday evening, 23rd inst. entertainment by the Sunday School of St. Paul's Church, in the Parish House.

Wednesday evening, 24th, Bloomsburg Council, Royal Arcanum, will hold a reception in their hall. Admission only on invitation.

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, February 25, 26, and 27th the latest invention, Edison's Projectoscope, at the Opera House.

Thursday evening 25th inst., the choir of St. Paul's Church will give a chicken and flannel cake supper in the Parish House. Tickets, 25 cents.

Friday evening, 26th inst. Students' Lecture Course. Lecture by Rev. Anna Shaw.

On Monday evening, March 1st, a musicale will be given in the Presbyterian Church, the proceeds of which will be sent to Dr. Jno. B. Neal in China, towards the support of his hospital.

Tuesday evening, March 2nd, lecture in the Parish House by Fred Ikeler Esq., under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

The 19th Semi Annual Convention of the Columbia Co. Woman's Christian Union will be held in the Lutheran Church, Bloomsburg, Thursday and Friday, Feb. 18 and 19. On the evening of Friday, Mrs. A. M. Holney will deliver her popular lecture "A Wedge of Gold." The Loyal Temperance Legion will give an entertainment on Thursday evening. Everybody welcome to all sessions. Lecture free.

Announcements of any other entertainments will be made under this head without charge, by leaving word at this office.

Officers Elected at Berwick.

Chief Burgess—Henry F. Traugh.
Councilmen—F. H. Eaton and Wm. H. Dennis.
Justice of the Peace—F. R. Kitchen.
School Directors—C. C. Evans and M. G. Smith. The proposition to continue the cooking school was defeated by a majority of 118.
Poor Overseer—C. C. Laubach.
Auditor—F. G. Chapin.

CATAWISSA'S NEW OFFICERS.

Chief Burgess—I. H. Seesholtz.
Councilmen—James Cook, and there was a tie between George A. Schmick and A. B. Pifer.
Justice of the Peace—J. B. Knittle.
School Directors—A. J. Truckenmiller and J. A. Guiterman.
Poor Overseer—C E. Clewell.
Auditor—C. S. Waltz.
Judge of the Election—J. K. Sharpless Jr.
Inspectors—A. F. Harman and Chas. E. Smith.
Tax Collector—M. V. B. Kline.

Fitzsimmons and Corbett, will battle for the heavyweight championship of the world and a purse of $20,000, in Nevada, some time next month. Corbett has begun training at Carson City, Nevada, and Fitz, has entered his training quarters, in California. There has been no end to the talk concerning these two men, and the public will soon have the chance to judge for themselves, as to which one of the two is the best man.

A very pretty social gathering, in honor of St. Valentine's Day occurred at the home of the Misses Ella and Annie Coffman on Friday evening. The evening was delightfully spent with games and other amusements. The guests numbered about twenty-two.

George Yount of town, received a letter last week, that was post marked at Reading July 9, 1893. It was written by J. S. Moyer, who has been dead for some years.

All Kinds of People

Come to this store for their clothes, and we have a reputation for pleasing them all. There is no lack of bargains in every line. Suits, Dress Overcoats, Storm Overcoats, Boy's Reefers, Hats, Furnishings, Underwear, &c.

GIDDING'S

PITTSBURG "POST" BURNED OUT.

Fire Causes Damage to the Amount of $90,000.

Fire Sunday morning burned the building occupied by the Pittsburg "Post," causing a loss of $90,000. The printing presses, one valued at $25,000 and the other at $10,000 were badly damaged. Ten type setting machines valued at $30,000 were ruined. The "*Post's*" loss will probably reach $70,000 covered by insurance. The building is owned by J. N. McCullough estate and the loss on it will reach $20,000, covered by insurance. The fire is supposed to have started from the crossing of electric light wires. The "*Post*" will issue its paper from the office of the Pittsburg "*Leader*" until new quarters are secured. The press room of the "*Commercial Gazette*" was flooded with water.

The entertainment at the Presbyterian Church last Saturday evening was well attended, and much enjoyed by the audience. Misses Runyon and McLinn played a piano duet ; Mrs. Melick and Miss Miller sang solos and a duet ; the Mandolin Quintette Club gave several numbers, and the Mission Band presented some tableaux from Gibson's pictures. The proceeds amounted to nearly sixteen dollars.

The annual anniversary of the Woman's Missionary Society of Trinity Reformed Church will be held next Sunday evening at 7:00 o'clock. The program will consist of a report by the President of the society, recitations, readings, and special music. An address will also be delivered by Rev. A. C. Whitmer, of Lancaster, Pa., Supt. of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the U. S. Everybody is cordially invited to be present.

George Aurand will leave town on March 1st and move to Plymouth, where he will engage in the hotel business again, he having leased the Ely House of that place. Mr. Aurand has had years of experience in the hotel business, and will conduct a good house.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Col. John G. Freeze announced the death of Joshua W. Comly of Danville, a member of the Columbia Co. Bar. A meeting of the Bar was called to take action.

Estate of Christ. Kuster, deceased. H. A. M'Killip appointed auditor.

Estate of James Johnson, deceased. Inquest awarded.

Order of sale granted in estate of Jos. S. Redline, deceased.

Petition filed for county bridge over Raven creek in Benton township, near Chas. Gibbons.

Herman Y. Young appointed guardian of Raymond and Rush, minor children of Ida Gunther, deceased.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

In the heat of a great political row at Centralia last Saturday night, between John and Amor Welsh, cousins and John Turner, several shots were fired, one striking a young man by the name of William George, who was not taking any part in the affair, the ball entered his neck. The doctors could not save him and he died at three o'clock Sunday afternoon. Turner and the Welsh boys were lodged in jail.

The Second Presbyterian Church of Williamsport was destroyed by fire at an early hour on Sunday morning. The blaze is supposed to have originated from the boilers, and had gained a big start before it was discovered. The loss is $35,000, with an insurance of $30,000. Not a thing was saved.

This is the second time that this structure has been destroyed by fire within the last two years.

The tracks of the Lehigh Valley railroad at Nescopeck were blocked for several hours on Friday owing to a wreck at that place, between two freight trains. No one was injured, but considerable damage was done to one engine, and several loaded cars were derailed, and their contents scattered about.

Base ball is beginning to boom up in all its magnificence.

THE DEAD ALIVE.

A DOCTOR'S STORY.

A great number of persons who knew the celebrated Dr. B——, a professor of the College of Surgeons, England, have often heard him relate the following anecdote:

One day he had procured the bodies of two deserters, who had been hung, for anatomy, and not being able to find the key of the dissecting room at the moment the two subjects were brought, he ordered them to be deposited in a room contiguous to his bed-room.

During the evening Dr. B— wrote as usual previous to retiring to rest. The clock had just struck one, and all the family slept soundly; when all at once a dull sound proceeded from the room containing the bodies.

Thinking that perhaps the cat had been shut there by mistake, he went to see what could be the cause of the unexpected noise. What was his astonishment, or rather his horror, on discovering that the sack that contained the bodies was torn asunder, and on going nearer, he found that one of the bodies was missing!

The doors and windows had been fastened with the greatest care, and it seemed impossible that the body could have been stolen. The good doctor felt rather nervous on remarking this, and it was not without an uneasy sensation that he began to look about him, when to his horror and amazement he perceived the missing corpse sitting upright in the corner.

Poor Dr. B—, at this unexpected apparition became transfixed with terror which was increased by observing the dead and sunken eyes of the corpse fixed on him; whichever way he moved, those dreadful eyes still followed him.

The worthy doctor more dead than alive, now began to beat a quick retreat, without, however, losing sight of the object of his terror; he retreated step by step, one hand holding the candle, the other extended in search of the door, which he at length gained; but there is no escape, the spectre had risen and followed him, whose livid features, added to the lateness of the hour and the stillness of the night, seem to conspire to deprive the poor doctor of the little strength and courage he has left; his strength fails, his candle falls from his hand, and the terrible scene was now in complete darkness.

The good doctor has gained his apartment and thrown himself on the bed; but the fearful spectre has still followed him—it has caught him, and seizes hold of his feet with both hands. At this climax of terror the doctor loudly exclaimed, "Who ever you are, leave me!" At this the spectre let go his hold and moaned feebly these words: "Pity, good hangman! have pity on me!" The good doctor now discovered the mystery, and regained little by little his composure. He explained to the criminal who had so narrowly escaped death, who he was, and prepared to call up some of his family.

"Do you, then wish to destroy me?" exclaimed the criminal "If I am discovered, my adventure will become public, and I shall be brought to the scaffold a second time. In the name of humanity, save me from death!"

The poor doctor did not well know what means to take to save the poor creature. He could not keep him in his house, and to turn him out would be to expose him to certain death. The only way then was to get him into the country; so having made him dress himself in some old clothes which the kind-hearted doctor selected from his wardrobe, he left town early accompanied by his protege, whom he represented as his assistant in a difficult case upon which he had been called.

When they had got into the open country the wretched creature threw himself at the feet of his benefactor and liberator, to whom he swore an eternal gratitude; and the generous doctor having relieved his wants by a small sum of money, the grateful creature left him with many blessings and prayers for his happiness.

About twelve years after this occurrence, Dr. B— had occasion to visit Amsterdam. Having gone one day to the bank, he was accosted by a well-dressed man—who had been pointed out to him as one of the most opulent merchants of the city.

The merchant asked him politely if he was not Dr. B—, of London; and on his answering in the affirmative, pressed him to dine with him at his house, which invtation the worthy doctor accepted. On arriving at the merchant's house he was shown into an elegant apartment, where a most charming woman and two lovely children welcomed him in the most friendly manner which reception surprised him the more, coming as it did from persons he had never before met.

After dinner, the merchant having taken him into his counting house, seized his hand, and having pressed it with friendly warmth, said to him:

"Do you recollect me?"

"No," said the doctor.

"Well, then, I remember you well, and your features will never be obliterated from my memory—for to you I owe my life. Do you remember the poor deserter? On leaving you I want to Holland. Writing a good hand, and being also a good accountant, I soon obtained a situation as clerk in a merchant's office. My good conduct and zeal soon gained for me the confidence of my employer, and the affection of his daughter. When he retired from business I succeeded him, and became his son-in-law; but without you, without your care, without your generous assistance, I should not have lived to enjoy so much happiness! Generous man, consider henceforth my house, my fortune and myself as wholly yours."

The kind doctor was affected even to tears; and both these happy beings participated in the most delightful expression of their feelings, which were soon shared by the merchant's interesting family, who came to join them.

Card Queens

In old French cards the queens were named Argine, Esther, Judith and Pallas.

SHE HELD THE TRAIN.

And Defied the Conductor to Make Her Get Out of the Way.

"Before I came to this part of th country I was an engineer on a railroad down South," said a railway man. "We used to make a long run and we were pretty slow about it. While on that line I had some very odd experiences. I remember one day when we reached the junction station a woman came up to me and asked me to hold the train for five minutes. She said that her daughter wanted to take the train to the city. I told her that it was impossible for me to hold the train for her.

"'I don't see why,' she expostulated, 'I think you might do a little thing like that.'

"I tried to explain to her that trains ran on schedule time, and, like time and tide, wait for no man, or woman, either, for that matter. But she wouldn't have it, and finally, just as we were about to start, she shouted indignantly:

"'Well, I'll just see about that.'

"I laughed, but soon I ceased to laugh. For what did that old woman do but get right on the track about three feet in front of the engine. She sat herself there, firmly grasping hold of the rails with both hands. The conductor signaled for me to go ahead, as our stop was over. But I couldn't do it as long as she remained on the track, for I would kill her certainly. I called to the conductor, and he, impatient at the delay, came up. I explained the situation to him. He was as mad as I was, and going up to the woman told her to get off the track.

"'I just won't,' she replied, 'until my daughter gets on board your train.'

"He pleaded with her 'some more, and finally declared that he would be compelled to use force.

"'Just you dare!' she cried. 'I'll sue you for damages if you do.'

"This opened a new complication, and we reasoned with ourselves whether we had better remove her by force. Just as we had determined upon a course of policy, her daughter came up and, seeing the old woman on the track, kissed her good-by and got on the train, while her mother called to her:

"'Go ahead, Mary Ann. You have plenty of time, though, for I will sit on the track until you get on board.'

"And then, when Mary Ann was safely on board and we were about ready to run over the old woman if necessary she calmly and slowly got up and waved me a goodby, calling, as we pulled out of the station:

"'I hope I've teached you fellers a grain of perliteness.'"—Chicago Times-Herald.

A Unique Test.

"What a dreadful cold you have!" exclaimed one of the sweet girls.

"It is rather severe," replied the other. "But I don't mind it. I caught it in a good cause."

"Did you have to go out in the rain after a doctor?"

"No. It was a selfish experiment; but it is assisting me in a manner so important that I don't mind it."

"What is it helping you to do?"

"Decide a question on which my future happiness depends."

"Goodness me!"

"Yes. Father said that as soon as the weather got cool enough to have the furnace going, Herbert would begin coming to the house three or four times a week instead of only once. He said that he didn't think there was any heat in Herbert's hall bedroom, and that he came here because it's a nice warm place to sit. So last night when he called I had the heat turned off from the parlor. I got very chilly, but I stood it better than Herbert did, for I knew what to expect and dressed accordingly. I told him that we didn't expect to have that room heated all winter, because we used it so little. It was a dreadful ordeal, but I shall not regret it, for it will silence my doubts forever. If Herbert comes back now, I will know that he really and truly loves me."

Alphonse Karr's Polite Revenge.

Alphonse Karr, the humorist, owned an estate in the southern part of France. His neighbor was an elderly Italian count who owned a well-stocked library. One day the author, who had never met his neighbor, the count, sent his servant with a card requesting the loan of a book. The count replied in a polite note, saying, that he was sorry not to be able to oblige Mr. Karr, but with him it was a matter of principle never to lend books outside his house. At the same time he invited his neighbor to come to his house at any time and his library would be at his disposal all day. Karr availed himself of the privilege and became friendly with the count, who not long afterwards, sent to his literary neighbor to borrow a lawn sprinkler. Karr replied: "I deeply regret the impossibility of obliging you with the loan of a sprinkler, but, as a matter of principle, I could not possibly allow my sprinkler to be used outside of my garden; but if you desire to use it on my own lawn I shall gladly place the sprinkler at your disposal all day."

No Guesswork.

A little girl who was in the habit of using the word guess intemperately was reproved by her teacher.

"Don't say 'guess,' Mary; say 'presume.'"

Just then a playmate came up, and feeling of Mary's cloak, said:

"My ma is going to ask your ma for the pattern of your cloak."

"My ma ain't got any pattern," answered Mary; "she cut it by presume."—Texas Siftings.

Natural Interference.

Bilkins—Where's Johnson now?

Farming—Out in South Dakota.

Bilkins (whispering)—You don't tell me? Why, I supposed they were the happiest couple in town. What was the nature of the trouble?—Cleveland Leader.

Rhythmical.

Supercum Flop—What do you suppose Edgar Saltus means by speaking of a girl as a "perfect rhyme?"

Supercum Flip—I don't know, unless she was averse to him.—Harlem Life.

The World's "Ifs."

If marriage were not such a doubtful state—and women were all that they seemed—and the dudes were obliterated from the face of the earth—and the offensive partisans were not too rampant—and we could discover that a man may be good even before he died—and society were not a matrimonial mart—and the objectionable features could be eliminated from the waltz—and the collection box was not always associated with religion—and sensationalism were not considered naughty by the people, and spiritualism did not look so like a fake—and the suicide would not seek the nicest room in a hotel wherein to die—and the pie "like mother's used to bake" were more numerous—and the bad spellers were not so anxious to write letters—and girls who go to cooking schools were not too tired to help mothers get dinner when they come home—and the pugilist wouldn't talk so much about fighting—and the word "genial" were not used so much—and a few other things were arranged—this world would not be a bad place to live in.

Elaborate Coffins.

A few years ago Mrs. D. Hiller, residing in New York, buried her husband in a coffin of solid mahogany, elaborately carved, lined with corded silk and mounted with gold. The silk cost forty dollars a yard. The hinges were of gold, and the solid gold knob weighed 6 lbs. Mrs Hiller has prepared a similar coffin for herself and also a shroud valued at $20,000. Dr. and Mrs. Thyler, of Framlingham, Massachusetts, lately exhibited their own coffins; they were made of carved rosewood, ornamented with silver, took ten years to finish on account of their fine workmanship, and cost $5,000 each. Dr. Thyler died two years before his wife, but she had him temporarily interred in an ordinary shell, while she continued her lectures and the exhibition of both coffins. On her death, which occurred recently, she left sufficient money for a splendid marble tomb, in which to place the two coffins, and light it by electricity for 100 years. —*Tid-Bits.*

Medal for a Brave Man.

A Pennsylvania Sergeant's Valor on Gettysburg Field.

The Philadelphia *Record* of Saturday says:

"A medal of honor has been presented to George W. Mears, of Rupert, Pa., late sergeant, Company A, Sixth Pennsylvania Reserve Volunteers, for most distinguished gallantry in action at Gettysburg, Pa., July 2, 1863.

This non-commissioned officer discovered a party of rebel sharpshooters located in a log house who were pouring a destructive fire into his regiment, and at the head of five volunteers he gallantly charged upon the house, and with great heroism captured the rebels, some 12 or 13 in number, and conveyed them back to his regiment."

Nuggets of News.

It has been definitely settled that the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight will take place at Carson City, Nev.

An ordinance to prevent wearing of hats by ladies in theaters passed the lower branch of Baltimore's city council.

Elijah Pierce, prominent citizen of Blocton, Ala., was brained with an ax by Issac Creel, a half witted 15-year-old boy whom he was teasing.

United States Marshal Wells and associates have secured control of 247,000 acres of oil lands in Cabell, Wayne and Lincoln counties, W. Va.

President R. S. McConnel', of the failed Merchants' National bank of Ocala, Fla., is under arrest at his home for embezzling $80,000. He is critically ill.

The fierce snow storm of last week done much damage in and about Wilkesbarre. The snow was accompanied by wind of a hurricane nature.

Match Boxes for Women.

Since the passage of the city ordinnance pertaining to lamps on bicycles, women who ride wheels find it necessary to carry a match box. Therefore, there are any number of new match boxes, which are smaller and more dainty than anything in this line ever seen before.

"Do the girls buy them?" a prominent jeweler was asked. To which question he answered: "Yes, indeed. The smaller sizes are made particularly for their special use."

The prettiest of the new match boxes for girls are of gold, with an enameled decoration. The enameling either takes the form of a college or yacht club flag, or it resembles a hand-painted miniature showing a girl on a wheel, or the head of a dog. Many of these match boxes are made with a concealed recess for a photograph. It is only when a certain spring is touched that the picture can be seen, so skillfully is it hidden away.

The silver match boxes, decorated with the outline of a tiny bicycle in enamel, are also new and much less expensive.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Wounded and Paralyzed.

AN OLD VETERAN OF THE WAR AFTER YEARS OF SUFFERING HAS A SHOCK OF PARALYSIS.

From the Press, Utica, N. Y.

Mr. David C. Talbot is a well-known and respected citizen of Otsego County, New York, residing at Edmeston, who three years ago had a stroke of paralysis, which he attributes to the effects of a wound received on the 16th of June, 1864, before Petersburg, Va., while serving with the New York Heavy Artillery.

The following is his own account of his illness and convalescence, which will be found interesting:

EDMESTON, N. Y., Aug. 31, 1896.

"On the fifth day of December, 1893, I was taken with a paralytic shock, which affected the whole of the left side, and I could not speak for three weeks. I was confined to my bed for a long time and constantly attended by a physician, though little relief was experienced. My stomach and the muscles of my throat were much affected. I was wounded in June, 1864, at Petersburg, Va., having then lost three fingers of my left hand, and that always affected me in a marked degree, my arm often becoming numb. I should state that on the day I received the stroke, I had two distinct shocks, the first in the morning, which was so light that the doctor was not at all alarmed, but the second nearly finished me up. Ever since the war I had suffered with nervous debility and my condition was very bad when I was attacked. I am now sixty years old and hardly dared look for anything approaching good health after my life of suffering, but I saw so much said about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People in the newspapers, and that they were good for paralytics, that I determined to try them. This I did just one year and four months ago. I strictly followed directions and felt better within a week. I am not the same man I was when I began to take Dr. Williams' medicine. My old comrade Norton, who was in the same company and regiment with me, and was a grievous sufferer from general nervous debility, at my recommendation has taken Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and they have helped him wonderfully.

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Reduced Rates to Washington on Account of the Inauguration via Pennsylvania Railroad.

For the benefit of those who desire to attend the ceremonies incident to the inauguration of President-elect McKinley, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to Washington March 1, 2, 3, and 4, valid to return from March 4 to 8, at the following rates:—

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This inauguration will be a most interesting event, and will undoubtedly attract a large number of people from every section of the country.

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THE LIVING SKELETON DEAD.

John L. Battersby, Long a Museum Freak, Formerly of Frankford.

John L. Battersby, known throughout the country for many years as "the living skeleton," died at the residence of his daughter in Almena, Norton County, Kan., on February 6, of gangrene of the lower limbs, aged 68 years. Mr. Battersby was born in England, and come to this country with his parents and a large family of brothers and sisters when quite young, and settled in Frankford. While still a young man the flesh on his limbs and body shrunk away until he was a veritable skeleton, although otherwise his health was good.

During his travels with shows and circuses Mr. Battersby met and married his wife, Hannah, who was exhibiting as the fat woman. She weighed over 500 pounds, while his weight was less than 40 pounds. One daughter was born to them, but she exhibited none of the peculiarities of either of her parents.

After the death of his wife, which took place a few years ago. Mr. Battersby began to take on flesh, and grew too stout to longer attract attention as a skeleton. He then retired from the show business altogether, and went into business. He left Frankford about two years ago to reside with his daughter in Kansas, where he died.

The Fact that Doctors

frequently advise change of air and climate to those suffering from catarrh is proof that catarrh is a local and climatic disease. Therefore, unless you can leave home and business, you should use Ely's Cream Balm. Applied directly to the seat of the disease, it effects instant relief and a satisfactory cure after short continuance. No mercury nor injurious drug is contained in the Balm. 2t.

Good Money All Round.

THE ASSAY COMMISSION FINDS THE COINAGE SATISFACTORY.

The Government Commission which has been engaged in assaying, counting and weighing specimens of the coinage of the United States finished its work of the Mint yesterday. The tests were applied to 9378 coins taken at random from the Philadelphia Mint: in 5143 pieces from San Francisco, and 3960 from New Orleans. Before adjourning the Commission adopted the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Assay Commission having examined and tested the reserved coins of the several Mints of the United States for the year 1896, and it appearing that these coins do not differ from the standard fineness and weight, by a greater quantity than is allowed by law, the trial is considered and hereby reported satisfactory and adopted unanimously.

The only blood-purifier admitted on exhibition at the Chicago World's Fair was Ayer's Sarsaparilla, all others being excluded as secret preparations and patent medicines. With doctors and pharmacists, it has always been considered a standard remedy.

STRAY PARAGRAPHS.

Ice floes are floating.

The oyster business is a shell game.

Falling-heir to a fortune doesn't hurt a person very much.

The ground hog is no doubt wondering why he missed his shadow.

"When de wife hol's de rein," says Brother Walkins, "she offen drives her husban' to drink."

An exchange says: "The two men who stole a locomotive at Kingston had quite a tender undertaking.

When a person is losing flesh and wasting away there is cause for alarm. Nothing so worries a physician. Consumptives would never die if they could regain their usual weight. In fact there would be no consumption if there was no wasting of the system. The cause of this loss of flesh is a failure to properly digest the food eaten. Nine-tenths of all our diseases date back to some derangement of the stomach.

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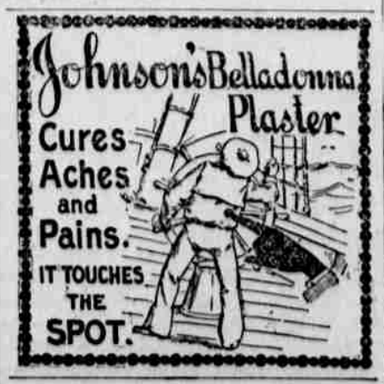

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Pork, whole, per pound	.06
Beef, quarter, per pound	.07
Wheat per bushel	1.20
Oats " "	30
Rye " "	.50
Wheat flour per bbl	5.20
Hay per ton	12 to $14
Potatoes per bushel,	.35
Turnips " "	.25
Onions " "	.50
Sweet potatoes per peck	.20
Tallow per lb	.4½
Shoulder " "	.10
Side meat " "	.10
Vinegar, per qt	.07
Dried apples per lb	.05
Dried cherries, pitted	.12
Raspberries	.12
Cow Hides per lb	.3½
Steer " " "	.05
Calf Skin	.80
Sheep pelts	.75
Shelled corn per bus	.50
Corn meal, cwt	1.50
Bran, "	.90
Chop "	1.00
Middlings "	.90
Chickens per lb new	.10
" " " old	.08
Turkeys " "	.12½
Geese " "	.10
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NEWS ITEMS.

—By the slipping of a fork, Mrs. Edward Brown, of Hazleton gorged out her left eye.

—Chas. DeLong, a well-known music teacher, was found dead in bed at Bethlehem, with the gas partially turned on. It is believed to have been an accident.

Hollidaysburg borough council has offered a reward of $500 for the arrest and conviction of the persons who dynamited the Gardner, Morrow & Co's. bank building at that place.

—An accident to the Shenandoah electric light plant last week left the town in darkness, and thieves broke into three grocery stores, four restaurants and two saloons. They got very little money.

—The present year of 1897 began on Friday, will end on Friday and has fifty-thtee Fridays in it. Superstitious people are of the opinion that this condition of things is ominous, and are looking for all sorts of terrible things to occur.

—A statistician says that 32,214,000, die annually, an average of 67 a minute. The annual number of births is 35,792,000, or 70 a minute. The population of the world is increasing at the rate of 3 persons a minute, or over a million and a half a year.

Ferns In the House

A bit of living green in a room from which none can be seen through the window often proves a positive joy. A fernery is the easiest thing in the world to manage. It does not require either sunshine or constant attention, but with a little care now and then gets on beautifully almost by itself. The fern case must be long and deep enough not to crowd the plants, and built of sufficiently heavy glass to keep the heat of the room from penetrating it. The oblong style has been found to be the most convenient shape, as it will stand solidly upon a table in any out-of-the-way corner, and not topple over at every jar. The framework may be of wood or iron, iron preferably, as the wood absorbs considerable of the moisture that should go to the plants. A good depth of rich soil should be put in and the ferns set as thickly as one wishes. Of course the earth must be kept moist always, but there need be little or no sunshine.—*St. Louis Republic.*

A Political Church.

There has just been organized in Shelby county Ind., a church of which there are few in the country—"the Church of the Open Bible." It only differs from other denominations in the respect that no person can become a member of it who votes with either of the parties which in any manner encourages the liquor traffic. Rev. S. D. Hawkins is at the head of the new church and active committees are at work. There are 300 Prohibitionists in Shelby county, almost every one of whom will become a member of the organization, as will others who are not Prohibitionists. They will likely erect a church in Shelbyville the coming spring.—*Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.*

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment, Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundren Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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"If the farmers of Iowa are paying off their mortgages and putting money in bank it is not because of the profits made in growing corn and wheat and oats," said Mr. J. B. Newton, of the Hawkeye State, at the Ebbitt. "Their improved lot within the last decade is due to the fact that they have been subordinating the production of the cereals to the dairy. The Iowa cow has proved of far more benefit as a revenue raiser than 10-cent corn, and the creamery has become firmly established as one of the institutions of the land. In the county of Jones the farmers have in bank deposits over $3,000,000, according to the latest report of our State Dairy Commissioner. Here is an object lesson to the agriculturists all over the Union, for it goes to show that by proper management and attention to the right thing farmers can become lenders of money instead of borrowers."—*Washington Post.*

NEW YORK LETTER.

It is said of ex-Mayor Howell of Brooklyn, who died recently, that he dated his prosperity from the hour of his marriage. He married very young, and had only $12 a week salary, but began immediately to put $4 a week into the savings bank, an example of thrift which is not often followed in these days. He attained wealth, but never lost his early simplicity of tastes and steadiness of habits. Since 1864 he has been continuously identified with the government of Brooklyn, first as Supervisor, than as Alderman, and afterwards Mayor for two terms. Since 1882 he has been trustee of the Brooklyn Bridge, serving for ten years as its President. He was a native of England, but came to this country when six years old. He made his money in the iron business. He was a member of the Methodist Church and a Mason of high degree.

In order to provide work for unemployed poor all public improvements that have been decided upon will be pushed at once. Among these improvements are the building of the public bath on Division street, the erection of 900 additional lamp posts, the laying out of the central promenade in the Boulevard and the Elm street widening. The Elm street work will cost $3,200,000. Public Works Commissioner Collis says that the city sewers need cleaning. The cost would be $2,000,000, but he has not now the money for this.

Commander Booth-Tucker of the Salvation Army, recently offered the city the use of the Army buildings and meeting places for the temporary shelter of the homeless poor. Within the big hall of the headquarters of the Salvation Army, in West Fourteenth street, a few evenings later, lay sleeping more than fifteen hundred men, homeless through the lack of labor; hungry, because organized charity in its multitudinous work does not provide food for those whose names are not on its registry lists; desperate, because they believed, in this great and wealthy metropolis, there should be something to eat, even though it were but crusts and a cup of coffee or tea; hopeless, because, after days of honest endeavor, they could not even secure work at sweeping the streets. It was illustrative of the woe which has come to the extremely poor of New York. They had come to the headquarters of the Salvation Army as to a refuge. They had been informed that wherever this organization had a shelter or a hall it was at the disposal of the suffering; that there would be no questions asked. The applicants would not be expected to tell anything about their birthplaces or whether or not they had been or were now respectable. The men had been given a piece of bread each and a cup of coffee. Those who desired it were given jam on their bread, and with this provender these 1,500 men curled themselves up and went to sleep. They lay in all sorts of postures, but they were all taking full advantage of the opportunity for rest which was offered, and the vocal manifestations of profound and dreamless slumber were loud. The men were cared for by Colonel Perry, assisted by a corps of helpers. They greeted the men who came for shelter as "boys," and they were thanked without any indications of effusiveness. But every man who was assigned to his place on the benches looked his gratitude in a manner which needed no words to explain its honesty.

State Superintendent of Public Works Aldridge, in his annual report, commends the movement of Erastus Wiman and his backers to increase and cheapen canal commerce. C. A. Pillsbury and other Northwestern millers called on the President of the Dock Board to-day and thanked him for the action of the Board in facilitating the plans for proper terminals for the all-water route proposed by Mr. Wimen. Mr. Pillsbury said that this route would centre in New York the flour trade of the Northwest. The men present represented an output of 20,000,000 barrels a year. The all-water route will make the millers independent of railroads.

That Rutherford B. Hayes served his country as President from 1877 to 1881 was due, in no small measure, to John C. Reid, whose death occurred recently. Mr. Reid was in 1876 managing editor of the Times, and he refused to admit the election of Tilden, although the other Republican papers gave up on the day after election. The story of how Mr. Reir sought Mr. Chandler (now the Senator) and set on foot the movement which resulted in Mr. Hayes's title to the Presidency being established by the highest tribunal has often been told. It was Mr. Reid's most noteworthy journalistic achievement. Mr. Reid served as managing editor of the Times from 1873 to 1889, and afterwards as editor of the London edition of the Herald. For the past few years he had been attached to the headquarters of the Republican State Committee.

CYRUS THORP.

Kate Hill, the Blind Pianist.

A schoolmate of Laura Bridgeman, known after her school days as Kate Hill, the blind pianist, is now perhaps, the only blind woman in this country owning and carrying on a large merchandise business. Organs, pianos and other musical instruments form her stock. One seeing her in the street would not suppose her to be blind; the dark glasses worn and the light cane used, suggest simply infirmity.

A Good Industry.

An island on Lake Michigan has been secured by a syndicate, who have peopled it with black cats, which are killed for their fur.—Tid-Bits.

Of 28,000 applications for patents in England so far this year, more than one-third are for improvements in bicycles.

The women of Hartford, Conn., have subscribed a considerable sum for a statue of Harriet Beecher Stowe. The statue has been designed by W. Clarke Noble, and represents Mrs. Stowe as she was in middle life.

During last year 902,207 bicycles passed through the various entrances to Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, which was considerably more than double the combined number of all other classes of vehicles, and 42 per cent. of the number of pedestrians.

Greece has determined to have Olympic games at Athens every four years. The stadion is to be completed in Pentelic marble, M. Averoff, of Alexandria, who gave a million drachmae to have the race course put in order, having promised to give half a million drachmae ($100,000) a year for the purpose.

Branches of the new Russo-Chinese Bank have been opened at Shanghai, Hankow, Pekin and elsewhere in China. Business is already diverted to the new institution from British and German houses, and this fact, together with Great Britain's exclusion from sharing in the construction of new railways in China, is regarded as marking the doom of English commercial predominance in that country.

The Emperor and Empress of Germany have decided to give a costume ball to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the birth of the late Emperor William I. All the dresses and uniforms are to be exact representations of those worn at the Prussian Court in the year 1797. The Emperor will appear as his great grandfather, King Frederick William III, while the Empress will be dressed like the famous Queen Louise.

Marie Corelli's private life is almost that of a recluse. She detests "at homes," "crushes," big dinners, receptions and suchlike society functions, and she only entertains a very few friends herself. But she numbers among her "intimates" some of the most celebrated men and women of the day, and, republican though she be, is more frequently to be seen in the houses of the "upper ten" than anywhere else. Her favorite recreation is music, and her special passion flowers.

According to "The Boston Globe," Esther Damon, of Plymouth, Vt., is the only living pensioner of the American Revolution in New England. She was born on August 1, 1814, and in 1835 she was married to Noah Damon, a volunteer from Massachusetts. A pension was given to him just before his death. His widow has had $80 a year since 1842. Esther Damon keeps herself informed on the condition of the list of pensioners of the Revolution. "I am," she says, "one of the last five widows of that war who receive pensions from the Government."

The election of "Billy" Mason will add another competent shorthand reporter to the membership of the United States Senate. Several years ago he was considered one of the best in the country. Judge Withrow, of the Rock Island Railroad, used to say that a first-class stenographer was spoiled when Mason went into politics. It is not generally known that Senator Chandler, of New Hampshire, is also a proficient stenographer, like Representative Hitt, of Illinois. Both of them have been professionals, and both still use the shorthand system in making notes during debates, committee meetings, etc.

"The Waterbury American" tells this new story about Lyman J. Gage: In 1893 a customer of Mr. Gage's bank asked for a loan of $200,000. Mr. Gage asked him for what he wanted the money. The customer replied that certain street railway stocks were greatly depressed and could be bought cheap with a chance for a big profit. In answer Mr. Gage said substantially: "All the money that this bank has is needed for customers who need the money. I will advance to any solvent customer all that he requires to tide him over this crisis. I will not loan to any customer money to be used in speculation, however sure the profit."

The Committee on Public Morals of the Nevada legislature recently reported favorably a bill permitting prize fighting under protection of the State upon payment of a license fee of $1,000 to the Sheriff of the county in which any such contest may take place. The bill, which was favored by the local press and citizens generally, passed the Assembly by a vote of 30 to 9, and was adopted by the Senate. It is said that there is no organized opposition to it—indeed, very little of any sort—most of the leading citizens being decidedly in favor of it, because of their belief not only that the $1,000 license fee will be a great help to the county treasuries, but that the establishment of this class of entertainments will increase the population and promote business interests.

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They have no confidence in themselves, and only too often lose faith in their physicians.

All irregularities, whites, bearing-down pains, nervousness, headache, backache, "blues," distaste for society, sounds in ears, palpitation, emaciation, heavy eyes, "all gone" feeling, dread of impending evil, sleeplessness, etc., should at once be removed and vigorous health assured.

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Value of the Thermometer.

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Give every bed room a thorough airing every day, more especially if several children are obliged to sleep in the same room. This is to be avoided if possible, but if not be sure to give attention to the ventilation of these rooms. There is frequently bad air enough generated and breathed in the sleeping apartment of a family of small children to supply them all not only with colds, but with a number of so called "malarious" diseases, to last them throughout the year."

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BLOOMSBURG DIVISION.

STATIONS.	EAST. A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
NORTHUMBERLAND	6 25	1.50	10 05	5 50
Cameron	6 38	.....	.....	6 03
Chulasky	.....	.....	.....	6 07
Danville	6 50	2 12	10 26	6 13
Catawissa	7 03	2 26	10 39	6 28
Rupert	7 09	2 31	10 44	6 33
Bloomsburg	7 14	2 36	10 49	6 39
Espy	7 23	2 42	....	6 45
Lime Ridge	7 30	2 48	.....	6 52
Willow Grove	7 34	2 52	.....	6 56
Briarcreek	7 38	.....	.....	7 00
Berwick	7 48	3 01	11 12	7 06
Beach Haven	7 54	3 07	11 18	7 12
Hick's Ferry	8 00	3 13	...	7 19
Shickshinny	8 10	3 24	11 33	7 35
Hunlock's	8 20	3 34	.....	7 40
Nanticoke	8 27	3 42	11 49	7 54
Avondale	8 32	3 47	.....	7 58
Plymouth	8 37	3 52	11 56	8 03
Plymouth Junction	8 42	3 57	.....	8 07
Kingston	8 50	4 05	12 05	8 12
Bennett	8 53	4 08	.....	8 16
Forty Fort	8 56	4 11	.....	8 19
Wyoming	9 01	4 17	12 16	8 25
West Pittston	9 06	4 22	.....	8 30
Susquehanna Ave	9 10	4 25	12 23	8 33
Pittston	9 15	4 30	12 26	8 39
Duryea	9 19	4 34	.....	8 44
Lackawanna	9 24	4 37	.....	8 48
Taylor	9 32	4 45	12 40	8 57
Bellevue	9 37	4 50	.....	9 02
SCRANTON	9 42	4 55	12 48	9 07
	A.M	P.M.	P.M.	P.M

STATIONS.	WEST. A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
SCRANTON	6 00	9 55	1 55	6 00
Bellevue	6 05	.....	.....	.....
Taylor	6 10	10 04	2 05	6 10
Lackawanna	6 18	10 11	2 13	6 17
Duryea	6 22	10 14	2 16	6 21
Pittston	6 28	10 18	2 20	6 24
Susquehanna Ave	6 33	10 21	2 23	6 28
West Pittston	6 35	10 24	2 27	6 31
Wyoming	6 40	10 29	2 32	6 36
Forty Fort	6 45	.....	.....	.....
Bennett	6 48	10 36	2 39	6 44
Kingston	6 54	10 39	2 45	6 53
Plymouth Junction	6 59	10 43	2 50	.....
Plymouth	7 04	10 47	2 54	7 00
Avondale	7 09	.....	2 58	7 07
Nanticoke	7 14	10 54	3 09	7 12
Hunlock's	7 20	11 00	3 10	7 20
Shickshinny	7 31	11 10	3 24	7 35
Hick's Ferry	7 44	11 23	3 35	7 47
Beach Haven	7 54	11 32	3 42	7 58
Berwick	8 00	11 40	3 49	8 06
Briarcreek	8 06	.....	3 55	.....
Willow Grove	8 10	11 50	3 59	8 11
Lime Ridge	8 14	11 56	4 04	8 1
Espy	8 21	12 04	4 11	8 2
Bloomsburg	8 28	12 12	4 17	8 30
Rupert	8 34	12 18	4 23	8 36
Catawissa	8 40	12 23	4 29	8 41
Danville	8 55	12 37	4 2	8 58
Chulasky	....	.....	4 49	...
Cameron	9 05	12 46	4 14	9 10
NORTHUMBERLAND	9 20	1 00	5 (8	9 2
	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M

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ARRIVE. a.m.	a.m.	p.m	p.m.	STATIONS.	a.m	p.m	p.m	a.m
							LEAVE	
7.10	11.40	6.30	2.40	Bloomsburg	8.30	2.40	6.40	6.10
7.04	11.35	6.26	2.3	" P. & R.	8.34	2.42	6.44	6.13
7.02	11.32	6.24	2.35	" Main st.	8.36	2.45	6.47	
		6.20	2.32	Irondale		2.47	6.50	6.25
6.53	11.23	6.12	2 20	Paper Mill	8.44	2.54	6.58	6.37
6.50	11.20	6.09	2.15	Light St	8.47	3.00	7.03	6.50
6.40	11.10	5.59	2.00	Orangeville	8.56	3.10	7.10	7.10
6 29	11.01	5.48	1.35	Forks	9.06	3.20	7.20	7.35
6.25	10.58	5.44	1.30	Zaner's	9.09	3.25	7.24	7.43
6.18	10.53	5.37	1.25	Stillwater	9.13	3.30	7.29	8.00
6 08	10.43	5.27	1.10	Benton	9.23	3.40	7.39	8.40
6.04	10 40	5 22	12.35	Edson's	9.26	3.45	7.44	8.50
6.02	10 38	5.20	12.30	Cole's Cr'k.	9.28	3.47	7.48	8 53
5.58	10.35	5.16	12.25	Sugarloaf	9.31	3.52	7.52	9.00
5.53	10.32	5.13	12 20	Laubach	9.35	3.57	7.57	9.10
5.43	10.23	5.03	12.05	Central	9.45	4.07	8.07	9 30
5.40	10.20	5.00	11.50	Jam. City	9.50	4.10	8.10	9.40
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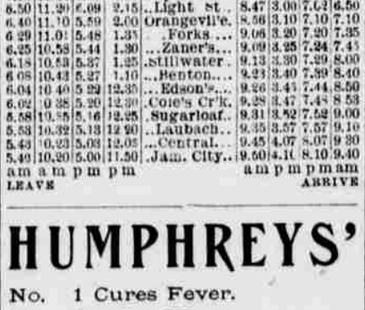

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	A. M.	A. M	P. M.	P. M.
Scranton(D & H)lv	6 45	$ 9 38	$ 2 50	$ 4 41
Pittston " "	7 08	†10 00	† 3 28	5 06
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M
Wilkesbarre...lv	$ 7 30	$10 15	$ 3 15	$ 6 00
Plym'th Ferry "	† 7 36	10 20	† 3 21	† 6 04
Nanticoke..... "	7 46	10 27	3 29	6 15
Mocanaqua..... "	8 04	10 45	3 47	6 35
Wapwallopen. "	8 13	10 55	3 57	6 46
Nescopeck .... ar	8 24	11 10	4 08	6 58
	A. M	A. M.	P. M.	
Pottsville..... lv	$ 6 00	$ 9 05	$ 1 50	.....
Hazleton ..... "	7 10	11 05	3 04	.....
Tomhicken..... "	7 30	11 25	3 22	.....
Fern Glen..... "	7 38	11 34	3 33	.....
Rock Glen..... "	7 43	11 40	† 3 39	.....
Nescopeck..... ar	8 07	.....	4 08	.....
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	
Nescopeck.....lv	$ 8 24	$11 10	4 08	.....
Creasy..... "	8 33	Via	4 17	.....
Espy Ferry..... "	† 8 43	Rock	† 4 27	.....
E. Bloomsburg"	8 47	Glen	4 32	.....
		P. M.		
Catawissa..... ar	8 55	12 18	4 39	.....
Catawissa..... lv	8 55	12 18	4 39	.....
S. Danville..... "	9 14	12 34	4 57	.....
Sunbury..... "	9 35	12 55	5 20	.....
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	
Sunbury..... lv	$ 9 4	$ 1 00	$ 5 40	.....
Lewisburg ....ar	10 1	1 45	6 10	.....
Milton..... "	10 0	1 29	6 06	.....
Williamsport.. "	11 0	2 30	7 00	.....
Lock Haven.... "	12 0	3 32	8 00	.....
Renovo ..... "	P. M	4 30	9 00	.....
Kane..... "	.....	8 15	.....	.....
Lock Haven...lv	P. M.	P. M.		
Bellefonte.....ar	†12 10	33 45	.....	.....
Tyrone..... "	1 05	4 44	.....	.....
Philipsburg.... "	2 15	6 00	.....	.....
Clearfield ..... "	4 23	8 26	.....	.....
Pittsburg ..... "	5 06	9 09	.....	.....
	7 00	11 30	.....	.....
	A. M.		P. M.	
Sunbury.....lv	$ 9 55	$ 1 55	$ 5 30	.....
Harrisburg....ar	$11 30	$ 3 20	$ 7 10	.....
	P. M.	P. M.	P. M,	
Philadelphia..ar	$ 3 00	$ 6 23	$11 1	.....
Baltimore..... "	$ 3 10	$ 6 00	10 40	.....
Washington.... "	$ 4 10	$ 7 15	.....	.....
	A. M.		P. M.	
Sunbury lv	$10 05		$ 2 45	.....
	P. M.			
Lewistown Jc ar	12 05		$ 4 37	.....
Pittsburg..... "	7 00		$11 30	.....
	A. M.		P. M.	P. M.
Harrisburg lv	$11 45		33 50	$ 7 30
	P. M.			A. M.
Pittsburg ..... ar	$ 7 00		$11 30	$ 2 00

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		P. M.	A. M.
Pittsburg.....lv	$ 7 05	$ 8 10	$ 8 00
Harrisburg.....ar	$ 2 10	$ 3 30	† 8 10
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Pittsburg.....lv	.....	.....	† 8 00
			P. M.
Lewistown Jc. "	.....	† 7 30	† 3 1
Sunbury..... ar	.....	† 9 18	† 5 10
	P. M.	A. M.	A. M
Washington....lv	10 40	.....	10 50
Baltimore ..... "	11 50	$ 4 55	12 00
Philadelphia... "	11 20	$ 4 30	12 25
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Harrisburg.....lv	$ 3 30	$ 8 05	† 3 55
Sunbury.....ar	$ 5 08	$ 9 38	† 5 35
	P. M.		A. M.
Pittsburg.....lv	$ 1 00	.....	$ 8 00
Clearfield ..... "	4 09	.....	9 31
Philipsburg..... "	4 56	.....	10 14
Tyrone..... "	7 15	.....	12 30
Bellefonte..... "	8 31	.....	1 42
Lock Haven...ar	9 30	.....	2 43
	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.
Erie.....lv	$ 3 25	.....	$ 8 00
Kane..... "	$ 7 05	.....	† 6 30
Renovo..... "	10 25	.....	10 25
Lock Haven.... "	11 25	† 7 30	P. M.
	A. M.		13 00
Williamsport.. "	3 25	8 20	4 00
Milton..... "	4 12	9 22	4 56
Lewisburg..... "	.....	9 15	4 47
Sunbury..... ar	4 36	9 50	5 25
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Sunbury.....lv	† 5 25	$ 9 55	† 5 43
S. Danville..... "	5 48	10 17	6 07
Catawissa..... "	6 08	10 35	6 26
E. Bloomsburg"	Via	10 43	6 33
Espy Ferry..... "	Rock	†10 47	† 6 38
Creasy ..... "	Glen.	10 56	6 48
Nescopeck ....ar	8 07	11 10	6 58
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Nescopeck.....lv	.....	†11 10	† 6 58
Rock Glen.....ar	† 6 52	†11 35	7 22
Fern Glen..... "	6 59	11 43	7 27
Tomhicken..... "	7 10	11 54	7 34
		P. M.	
Hazleton ..... "	7 37	12 15	7 56
Pottsville..... "	8 45	1 20	9 05
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Nescopeck.....lv	† 8 07	† 11 10	† 4 08
Wapwallopen.ar	8 18	11 22	4 20
Mocanaqua..... "	8 28	11 32	4 32
Nanticoke ..... "	8 48	11 54	4 53
		P. M	
Plym'th Ferry "	† 8 56	12 02	5 01
Wilkesbarre.... "	9 05	12 10	5 10
	A. M	P. M.	P. M.
Pittston(D & H) ar	† 9 41	$12 49	† 5 54
Scranton " "	10 10	1 16	6 21

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1897.

Hastings Wants a Change.

Governor Gives His Views on the Distribution of the School Fund.

The views of Governor Hastings on the treasury situation and appropriations, with special reference to the school appropriation, were emphatically expressed in an address of welcome at the convention of the State association of school directors in the supreme court room. "I see some members of the legislature in this meeting," said the governor, "and I want to take advantage of the opportunity to say to them that the state of Pennsylvania is big enough and rich enough to provide liberally for the education of every child within its borders.

"The present system of distributing the school appropriation of $5,500,000," added the governor, "is not fair to the real interests involved. The number of taxables is not the proper basis. Each school house with its appliances cost about as much, whether attended by ten or fifty pupils. If the state appropriation was increased to $6,000,000 a year I would suggest that one-third of that amount should be divided on the number of school houses or teachers, one-third according to the number of school children and the other third, possibly, as at present, on the number of taxables. The country boys and girls should be given the same advantages as those of the city. I believe that every township should have a high school. That is the law in Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania should not be behind that state."

The association convened Wednesday. H. H. Hubbert, of Philadelphia, chairman of the executive committee, responded to the governor's address. State Superintendent Schaeffer followed with an address on "School Administration." D. F. Fortney, of Bellefonte, opened a discussion on the "Operation of the Compulsory Education Attendance Law," in which many directors took part.

There was a large attendance at the evening session. The exercises opened with a discussion of "Should There be a State University?" Professor Robert Ellis Thompson and George E. Wagner, of Philadelphia, were the principal speakers. The question "Should the State Control and Publish School Text Books?" was discussed by William McGeorge, Jr., I. A. Cleaver and M. G. Brumbaugh.

Building a Capitol.

The "Central bimetallic league" of Reading submits a proposition to the general assembly relative to provision for rebuilding the capitol. It proposes that the "artisans" to work on the building be employed by the public buildings commission—as agents of the state—and these be paid by "voucher issued by the commonwealth solely for the erection of the capitol, and being made receivable by the state treasurer in taxes and all other debts due and payable to the state, would at once be exchangeable as a commercial tender, at least for all business within the state boundary lines." It proposes that materials be paid for in the same way.

Admitting that this could be done, we do not see what would be accomplished thereby. As the "voucher" would be at once redeemable by the state, the treasury would have to be prepared with a redemption fund provided by taxation. Of course it is not intended that the "voucher" shall be redeemed but shall continue "exchangeable as a commercial tender" until worn to pieces, that is a different matter.

But the scheme could not be considered for a moment. The constitution of the United States prohibits a state from "emitting bills of credit" or "making anything but gold and silver coin a tender in payment of debts." Our esteemed Reading bimetallists must resolve again. Or get the constitution changed.—*Ex.*

The Democrats of Steelton, near Harrisburg, are very jubilant over the election of a Democratic Mayor, it being one of the Republican strongholds of the county. The fight has been bitterly waged ever since the primaries were held.

A Fixed Committee.

There will be no surprise at the make up of the so-called treasury investigating committee. The best ability of the officers appointing the committee was exerted to produce something over which Senator Quay could not quibble. Indeed it is safe to guess that any danger of quibbling from the Beaver senator was shrewdly avoided by such action as would provide against that prior to the naming of the committee. There will be no investigation.

Of course, what we have said does not apply to the Democratic members. Messrs. Lennon and Kerr may be earnest and adroit enough but they will be so completely overshadowed by the majority that any efforts they make to discover will be fruitless.

We question if the Wanamaker or combine people themselves had any earnest feeling in this matter. They seem to have studiously pursued plans to avoid Democratic assistance from the first. The bluster they made a few weeks ago about continuing the fight appears to have been only for a little temporary effect. Unless they give some proof pretty soon that they mean fight we must conclude that their reform schemes are made of the same stuff as Quay's and meant solely for selfish ends.—*Patriot.*

W. J. Bryan Wins a Fight.

The Courts Twice Decide an Injunction in His Favor.

The somewhat celebrated gold bond injunction, in which W. J. Bryan, as plaintiff, sought to restrain the Mayor and City Council, of Lincoln, Neb., from delivering $534,000 refunding bonds, with a gold clause attached, to ex-City Treasurer Stephenson, was on Tuesday decided by the Supreme Court of that state, and Mr. Bryan's position was sustained.

Nearly two years ago a proposition to vote bonds was submitted and carried by a bare majority. The City Council contracted for their purchase with Stephenson, who insisted on a gold clause, which was allowed.

Mr. Bryan enjoined the sale on the ground that the bonds were illegally carried, and further that the city charter prohibited discrimination between gold and currency bonds.

District Judge Holmes decided in his favor, and the City Council appealed. The Supreme Court affirms the decision of the lower Court, laying stress on the fact that the bonds were illegally declared carried, but remaining silent on the gold clause feature.

Smith Must go to Jail.

Superior Court Decides Against the Aged Columbia Banker.

The judgment of the lower court in the case of E. K. Smith, the defaulting Columbia banker, was affirmed by the superior court at Willamsport on Monday.

Smith was prosecuted a year ago for receiving deposits, knowing himself to be insolvent. He was convicted in the lower court and a special allocatur was granted to review his case in the superior court, the principal ground for the appeal being a defect in the summoning of the grand jury to a special term. The affirmation of the case by the superior court remands the defendant to the court of quarter sessions to have the sentence of the court carried into effect. The sentence was that he pay a fine of $66.66 and be imprisoned in the Eastern penitentiary for one year and two months.

The court refused the application of J. G. Haymaker, district attorney of Allegheny county, made last week for re-argument in the case of W. H. House, the defaulting assistant city attorney of Pittsburg. The court also refused to certify the same to the supreme court.

Over a Billion.

The first "billion dollar congress" will be left far behind when the total amount carried by the appropriation bills of the present congress is figured up, and the figures will be found to be far in excess of any expenditures ever voted by a single congress in time of peace. Speaker Reed and the leaders on the appropriations committee in the house of representatives are doing all in their power to keep the total down as close to $1,000,000,000 as possible, but this figure will be exceeded by at least $20,000,000, and possibly by more than $40,000,000.—*New York Herald.*

Gallows for a Rich Man.

After three years of one of the strongest fights ever made by wealth against the courts, Dr. Arthur Duestrow, the great millionaire, was hanged Tuesday afternoon at Union, Mo., for the murder of his young wife and two year old child. The condemned man has had the counsel of the best criminal lawyers that money could procure. Ex-Governor Johnson pleaded for his life, but to no avail. He died protesting his innocense. His wealth is estimated at over 3,000,000. He belonged to one of the oldest and best known families in the state.

Unworthy Even the Name of Jingoes.

"Well-constituted Jingoes usually delight to pose as exaggerated species of patriots who believe that their nation is the strongest in war and the wisest in peace of all the peoples of the world. The opponents of the Anglo-American arbitration treaty have shown that, even measured by Jingo standards, their patriotism is pinchbeck. A favorite argument of these sham Jingoes against the treaty is that for generations past, and in instance after instance, Great Britain has got the better of us in diplomacy.

The utter falsity of this assertion will appear from the list of arbitrations between the United States and other powers, which Senator Sherman laid before the Senate several days ago. The list, which by the way is not complete, includes thirty-eight cases, fifteen of which, or nearly one-half, were arbitrations between this country and Great Britain. Of five arbitrations relating to territory between the years 1794 and 1827 the decision in one case was waived by mutual consent, and in the other four the awards were favorable to the United States. Of the whole number of thirty-eight cases included in Senator Sherman's list, only five, and none of them important, fell through. Of thirty cases in which awards were carried into effect, only six were decided adversely to the contentions of the United States. Four cases were submitted to arbitration under the treaty of Washington, of which the most momentous—that relating to the Alabama claims—resulted in a verdict against Great Britain. The decisions on the fisheries and on the civil war claims were unfavorable to our views; but the decision of the German Emperor on the San Juan boundary controversy was entirely in accord with our contention. On the whole the record shows that so far as the United States are concerned arbitrations have resulted favorably not only in the large majority but in the more important of the cases submitted. Instead of getting the better of us, Great Britain has, with very few exceptions, come off second best in her controversies with this country.

The obstructionists who have stooped to the denigration of their country in order to find arguments against the pending Anglo-American arbitration treaty are unworthy even the name of Jingoes."—*Record.*

Each has His Torment.

A Preacher Talks on "Hell" and Draws a Picture.

"Hell" was one of the topics of Rev. C. H. Eaton's morning sermon at the Church of the Divine Paternity, New York, on Sunday. He said that the hell pictured by the early philosophers, painters and writers was but a mild sketch of the real hell. The various forms of immoralities produce certain conditions in the soul and consigned the individual into a hell self-made worse a thousand-fold than any hell ever written or printed. Drunkenness, lewdness and other vile habits all resulted in personal hells for those who transgressed the divine laws.

The Universalist church, Dr. Eaton said, was not built upon any false ideas of sentimentality. Hell was a condition. "The demons of hell walk up and down our avenues and streets," said the doctor. "They are in our very drawing rooms, waiting for the chance to entice us.

Dr. Eaton said that intemperance, lewdness and the opium habit were evils more common to-day than ever before in the history of the world. Each urchin had his hell. Each was suffering the tortures of damnation, the pains of which were rendered doubly cruel by the inner consciousness that each had been self-dammed.

The object of hell, Dr. Eaton said, was reformation, so that the child of God might be reclaimed.

It is said that people in love do lots of making up without quarreling, and lots of quarreling after marriage without making up.

Nerves

Are the Messengers of Sense,—the Telegraph System of the human body.

Nerves extend from the brain to every part of the body and reach every organ.

Nerves are like fire—good servants but hard masters.

Nerves are fed by the blood and are therefore like it in character.

Nerves will be weak and exhausted if the blood is thin, pale and impure.

Nerves will surely be strong and steady if the blood is rich, red and vigorous.

Nerves find a true friend in Hood's Sarsaparilla because it makes rich, red blood.

Nerves do their work naturally and well,—the brain is unclouded, there are no neuralgic pains, appetite and digestion are good, when you take

Hood's Sarsaparilla

The One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. $1. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills the best family cathartic and liver stimulant. 25c.

To John N. Gordon, Wm. Krickbaum and Nehemiah Kitchen, Commissioners of Columbia County.

WHEREAS, there is now pending in the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County an appeal from the settlement of the County Auditors for the year 1895, in which it is alleged that the County Commissioners for that year, to wit, 1895, overpaid J. B. McHenry, sheriff of said county, the sum of $331.60 for boarding prisoners, over and above the amount allowed by law.

AND WHEREAS the County Auditors for the year 1896 have surcharged the County Commissioners of that year, to wit, 1896, with the sum of $187.00, being the amount alleged to have been overpaid the said sheriff for the boarding of prisoners from January 1st, 1896 to May 1st, 1896.

AND WHEREAS the County Auditors for the year 1896 have surcharged said Commissioners with the sum of $6.90 alleged to have been improperly paid by them to the said sheriff for drawing talismen.

AND WHEREAS the said County Auditors have also surcharged the said Commissioners for the year 1896 with the sum of $28.00, alleged to have been improperly paid by said Commissioners to the said sheriff for drawing jurors and filling jury wheel.

AND WHEREAS, in order to correct and amend such alleged improper payments, if the same are improper, the County Commissioners for 1896 retained and withheld from the said sheriff the sum of $580.00, being the amount due the said sheriff for boarding prisoners from May 1st, 1896, to December 31st, 1896; said sum so retained being $26.50 in excess of the sum alleged to have been improperly paid said sheriff, as aforesaid.

Now therefore, you are hereby notified not to pay to the said J. B. McHenry, sheriff, or to anyone for him, the sum of $580.00, so as aforesaid retained, without first retaining and deducting therefrom the following sums; provided the same are determined to have been improperly paid to said sheriff:

Over payment for boarding during 1895.....	$331 60
Over payment for boarding, January 1, 1896, to May 1, 1896.....	187 00
Payment for drawing jurors and filling jury wheel....	28 00
Payment for drawing talismen	6 90
	$533 50

You are further notified that the said ex-Commissioners, to wit, J. G. Swank, G. M. Ikeler and W. H. Utt, will inside of 60 days from the date of filing the said report of the County Auditors for the year 1896, enter an appeal in the Court of Common Pleas of said county, appealing from the surcharges above set forth.

J. G. SWANK,
G. M. IKELER,
W. H. UTT

Tours to California via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The next California tour of the Pennsylvania Railroad will leave New York and Philadelphia by special train of Pullman palace cars February 24, visiting the great Mammoth Cave and stopping at New Orleans during the Mardi Gras Carnival. Four weeks will be allowed on the Pacific Coast, and two days will be spent on the return trip at Colorado Springs and the Garden of the Gods. Stops will also be made at Salt Lake City, Denver, and Omaha. This is one of the most delightful and complete tours ever planned.

Tickets, including railroad transportation, Pullman accommodations (one double berth), meals *en route*, carriage drives, and hotel accommodations going and return, and transportation in California, will be sold at rate of $350 from all stations on the Pennsylvania Railroad System east of Pittsburg.

Apply to ticket agents, Tourist Agent, 1196 Broadway, New York, or Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia. 2t.

Do You Dance To-Night?

Shake into your Shoes Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder that makes tight or new shoes easy. Cures Corns, Chilblains and Sweating Feet. At druggists and Shoe Stores 25c. Sample FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y. 2-4-8t.d.

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... Early Spring Buying ...

Every house wife and every maiden has spring sewing to do. They want to get their muslin garments out of the way. We are now showing the requisite article necessary for them to use in this way. Muslin, laces, embroideries, insertings, etc; all of them entirely new, and just now on account of dull times prices are very tempting.

COATS. COATS. COATS.

We have divided our Coat stock into 3 lots and will sell them as follows:

Lot No. 1	$1.00
Lot No. 2	$2.00
Lot No 3—all this year's goods—	$5.00

Come early before they are all gone.

Emb. Insertings and Laces.

All of these are entirely new, and prettier and daintier than ever. They improve on them every year. Every year they are prettier and less expensive. They are in the centre aisle ready for your inspection.

Cambric emb. in almost endless variety 1c. to 56c. the yd.

Guipure emb., special lots at rare bargains. 6c., 10c., 14c. and 25c. the yard. These are worth fully ⅓ more.

Nansook emb. in rare and exclusive patterns, with narrow edges, trimmings to match. For making Baby dresses especially.

Sets of Swiss emb., 3 or 4 different widths in same design. Inserting to match.

Full line of Torchon hand made laces, all widths, with insertings to match.

Machine made torchon laces, with trimmings to match, in different qualities.

White Goods.

We are showing by far the most extensive line of white goods ever shown in Bloomsburg. All of them new and extremely pretty. We anticipated your wants in these goods and here they are in profusion for your picking.

Long cloths, nansooks, plain and checked from 6c. to 45c. the yd.

Special values in checked nansooks at 10c. and 12½c. the yard. Dimities, plain, striped and checked, 8c to 35c. the yd.

Special values in these at 12c. to 15c.

Percales for waists in light and duck effects.

Coats at Less Than Half.

All coats we have left we will sell for less than half price, and they are rare bargains if you want any.

LOTS OF BARGAINS IN DRESS GOODS.

Muslins.

We still offer you this useful article at ridiculous prices.

Unbleached muslin of good quality, 20 yds. $1.00.

Hill muslin, bleached, 36 in wide, 6½c. the yd.

Pepperell R. muslin, unbleached, 7c. the yd.

9-4 sheeting, unbleached, 15c. the yard. Worth fully ⅓ more.

Jardinieres.

We will snow you a line of Jardinieres in great variety at prices under any thing you ever heard of. They were bought cheap and will be sold cheap.

Dishes.

We are closing out three or four decorations in Johnson Bros. and Wm. Greenly's semi porcelain, English, warranted not to craze, at prices that should tempt you.

100 piece Dinner Set, $9.75, thought cheap at $12 00, the old price.

100 piece dinner set, $12.00.

112 piece dinner set, $14.00.

Extremely cheap at former prices—$14.00 and $16.00.

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Foot Covers...

but easy, comfortable, stylish shoes.

SHOES THAT ARE CORRECT

That's what up-to-date men want. That's what we sell, and we don't draw heavily on pocket books either. Fitting feet is our specialty, and we assure perfect comfort to every patron. We carry the largest stock of boots, shoes and rubbers in the county, and all new and fresh and bright Every size, every shape, and prices not too high—nor to low.

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Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as an adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. ¼ the price of coffee. 15c. and 25c. per package. Sold by all grocers. 2-4-4td.

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BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1897.

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BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

A. W. Snyder of Mifflinville, had business in town on Saturday.

Mrs. Geo. White of Tunkhannock is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Roys.

Mrs. Joshua Fetterman spent Sunday with her daughter at Wilkesbarre.

Mrs. William D. Beckley, of Iron Street, spent Monday visiting Benton friends.

Miss Clara Nesbit of Plymouth, visited the Misses Krum, on East Street, this week.

Henry Melick of Mt. Pleasant, was a visitor to our town on Monday.

J. P. Fredericks and wife are visiting the latter's parents in New Jersey this week.

Mrs. Bellfield of Philadelphia, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Samuel Wigfall.

A. C. Freas of Wilkes-Barre, had business in town on Wednesday.

Miss Susie Stevens of Towanda, Pa., visited relatives in town on Monday.

Mr. Charles Lawall came up from Philadelphia and spent Sunday with his mother in town.

Miss Martha McNinch, of Philadelphia, is visiting her mother on West Fourth Street.

Rev. W. G. Ferguson, the former pastor of the M. E. Church, called on his many friends in town yesterday.

Richard Stiles of Philadelphia, was in town on Monday. He was on his way to Benton.

Mrs. Mary Gearhart, returned on Monday from an extended visit to friends at Courtland, New York.

George Hill of Erie, was in town on Monday. He is thinking of becoming a resident of Bloomsburg.

Fred Kumer and wife of Fifth Street, left on Saturday, for a two weeks visit to New York and Philadelphia.

J. G. McHenry of Benton was in town on Monday. He came down to attend the funeral of John Q. Barkley.

Charles Johnson, clerk in J. E. Roys' jewelry store, has been confined to the house for a few days by sickness.

Mrs. Abraham Custer of Light Street is visiting at the home of her daughters, on East Street.

Miss Margaret Laubach has returned from a four week's visit to her sister Mrs. Charles Kitzmiller at Philadelphia.

Mrs. William Bodine of Normal Hill, returned home last Thursday from a three weeks visit to Philadelphia friends.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Kocher of Fowlersville, and W. W. Shell of Beaver Valley were among our callers on Wednesday.

Mr. John Wilson of Jerseytown, gave this office a pleasant call on Monday, and renewed his subscription to the COLUMBIAN.

M. S. Roberts of Lenoxville, Pa. was a Bloomsburg visitor on Monday. He is making arrangements to move here in the spring.

Prof. Ira Brown, a former teacher of this town, who has been teaching for the last few years in Woods Business College at Wilkes-Barre, has been transferred to New York.

Prof. T. B. Miller, a former principal of the Fifth Street school of this place, now located at Wilkesbarre, was in town on Wednesday.

D. L. Foulk of Sommerville, Mo. is visiting friends in this county. He left Columbia County ten years ago, and this is his first visit since that time. He will return about April 1st.

Harry Deitterick of East Orange, N. J., is spending his vacation with his parents at Buckhorn. He called on old friends in town on Saturday. He was employed as operator at the Western Union office in this town a few years ago.

The colored Jubilee Singers—ten of them—next Monday evening

A glee club consisting of thirty male voices will be organized in the Y. M. C. A. Hall to-night. Mr. F. M. Turner is to be the instructor.

Rumor says that a large steam mill will be added to Bloomsburg's list of industries in the near future. The land for the buildings is to be purchased from the Land Improvement Company.

Legal advertisements on page 7.

February 22nd—Jubilee Singers.

Fourteen more days of Grover, then the other fellow will be in clover.

Mrs. William Watts, of Third Street had the misfortune of falling down the stairs, and fracturing her limb on Thursday of last week.

The A. Z. Scammon Co., gave a disgusting performance of the "Real Widow Brown," to a small audience at the Opera House on Friday night.

H. G. Supplee, the Prohibition candidate for Town Council, received 1467½ votes at the election on Tuesday.

Experience proves the merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla. It cures all forms of blood diseases, tones the stomach, builds up the nerves.

Boyd Cadman, of East Street, had one of the fingers of his right hand cut off, at the Elevator Works, on Monday.

The thirtieth annual ball of the Friendship Fire Company will be held on Monday night, the 22nd, in Enterline's Hall.

$1700 was the price paid by Geo. W. Shuman, of Main township, for the property formerly owned by Charles Reichart, at Mainville, consisting of a double house and six acres of land.

Clem Woodin's fine barn at the "Heights," near Berwick, was destroyed by fire on Saturday. None of the stock or vehicles were destroyed. The stove pipe was the cause of the fire.

We have received a copy of the first issue of *The Muncy Democrat*. It is a neatly printed eight page paper. H. H. Rutter is the editor and proprietor. We wish him unlimited success in his new venture.

Peter Miller, a resident of Main township, died on Friday, after an illness of several years. Funeral occurred on Sunday. The deceased was a brother-in-law of William Knickbaum.

Carpenters are repairing the store room on Main Street, formerly occupied by J. R. Schuyler, as a hardware store. It is being made into two rooms, the lower one, after the first of April will be occupied by E. Maier, the clothier.

The question of removing the capital is settled, now for sure. Senator Quay has said that it shall remain where it is, he has told the legislature so, and when it is considered that he runs that body, his word is law.

The Schuylkill County Commissioners ruled that the constables would not be paid by the county for their services at the poles on election days. They hold that the payments should be made by the several boroughs to their own constabulary.

A young lady of several years experience in office-work and general business correspondence, book-keeping and stenography, also operator on Type-writer, having a machine of her own, would like a position in Bloomsburg or vicinity. For further information address P. O. Box 97 or inquire at this office. Satisfactory reference given. 2t.

RUBY LIPS—And a clear complexion, the pride of woman—Have you lost these charms through Torpid Liver, Constipation, Biliousness or Nervousness? Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills will restore them to you—40 Little "Rubies" in a vial—10 cents. Act like a charm. Never gripe.
Sold by C. A. Kleim.

Next Monday evening the Nashville Jubilee Singers, at the Normal.

No Maud, dear, a baseball player, who steals bases is not a diamond thief.

Calliepian reunion, and Jubilee Singers next Monday evening February 22.

F. N. Turner will move into his beautiful new house on East Fifth Street, some time next month.

The Jesse John farm in Franklin township was sold by John S. Williams, to Wilson Artley. Consideration $1825.

A valuable horse belonging to George Keiter, while being hitched up in a team broke his leg, and had to be killed.

I. G. Deitterick will move his candy store on April 1 from Market Street to 113 West Main Street, in the room directly opposite the Broadway store.

The sleighing on Sunday was very fine, and a great many people took advantage of it. The merry jingle of the bells could be heard on every side.

Christina Reichard, aged eighty-two years, died at the home of her son, John Reichard, in Madison township, on Thursday of last week.

Whiskers that are prematurely gray or faded should be colored to prevent the look of age, and Buckingham's Dye excels all others in coloring brown or black.

Berwick people don't want a cooking school in connection with their public school, as will be seen by the vote cast on Tuesday which is as follows: for 158, against 369.

The Monitor Clothing House of Wilkesbarre went into the hands of a receiver on Saturday. Isaiah Hagenbuch of this town was one of the firm's traveling representatives.

The pulpit of the Presbyterian Church will be occupied on Sunday by the newly elected pastor, Rev. Hemmingway, of Carthage Mo. He is expected to arrive in town tomorrow.

Tuesday's election caused some surprise, so far as the election for President of Council was concerned, as not many people had picked Mr. Kocher, the prohibition candidate as a winner. The present system of voting works wonders.

The following letters are advertised February 16, 1897. Miss Grace Alcock (2), Andrew Campbell, Harvey S. Cramer, Mr. George Rogers. Will be sent to the dead letter office March 2, 1897.

JAMES H. MERCER, P. M.

Chicken and Flannel Cake Supper.

There will be a chicken and flannel cake supper at the Parish House next Thursday evening, 25th inst. Tickets 25 cents. Everybody is invited. Supper will be served from 5 to 9 o'clock.

PARAGRAPHS OF STATE NEWS.

—Reading only lost $37,000 on its 67 fires last year.

Freight and coal trains crashed together and blocked the Reading Railway at Auburn on Tuesday.

—Three hundred delegates of the Great Camp of Pennsylvania, Knights of Maccabees are in conclave at Bradlock.

—Upon legal technicalities in opposition to a new electric lighting contractor's bond, old contractors in Lancaster are trying to shut him out.

—The shock of the death of his wife on Sunday killed John Jacoby, a wealthy farmer in Jackson township, Lebanon County, Tuesday.

—The Pottsville High School has decided to send a team to participate in the relay races at the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia.

—Dr. Leitzell, of Philadelphia, formerly superintendent of Allegheny General Hospital, charges that a patient was almost doped to death during his absence once. There is trouble in the management.

—Francis Grow, of Mahanoy City, had a narrow escape from drowning while harvesting ice. He was leading a horse across the dam and sank in the water to his neck, holding on to the halter strap, when the horse gave a jerk of his head, pulling him out on the firm ice again.

Woman Tries to Break Jail.

Mary Steiger, a nineteen-year-old prisoner in the county jail at Williamsport was caught just as she was about to swing out to liberty Tuesday afternoon. Her cell is on the upper tier in the woman's department, fully thirty feet above the ground, and at a point perhaps three feet above the outer wall. Mary, who is in jail for housebreaking, would have ended her sentence on March 1, but she concluded to gain her freedom before then.

If wisdom could have saved the world it would have been done in Solomon's time.

Don't Be Penned Up

by a cough when you can relieve it with a few doses of

Rishton's Magnetic Cough Syrup.

This is no secret nostrum, but a good old fashioned remedy which goes to the spot and does the work quickly and permanently. Try a bottle at 25c. and save a spell of sickness.

The best remedy known for croup.

W. S. RISHTON

Opposite P. O. PHARMACIST.

Fifty Years Ago.

This is the stamp that the letter bore
Which carried the story far and wide,
Of certain cure for the loathsome sore
That bubbled up from the tainted tide
Of the blood below. And 'twas Ayer's name
And his sarsaparilla, that all now, know,
That was just beginning its fight of fame
With its cures of 50 years ago.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

is the original sarsaparilla. It has behind it a record for cures unequalled by any blood purifying compound. It is the only sarsaparilla honored by a medal at the World's Fair of 1893. Others imitate the remedy; they can't imitate the record:

50 Years of Cures.

J. E. ROYS.

NO X RAYS

Needed to see the superior quality of our

JEWELRY.

It flashes out upon the eye so blazingly that one can't help seeing it at a glance.

Every Article

we show voices its own merit and substantiates every claim we make.

RICHNESS, elegance and fashionableness are the distinguishing features of our Jewelry exhibit

J. E. ROYS.

You'd Show Good Taste

If you selected your paper from our stock. Fine wall paper is like fine clothes—always noticed and admired. We couple beauty and novelty of design with a quality of paper which is seldom equalled. All we ask is your eyes, our stock will do the rest.

PRICES ARE LOWER THAN EVER.

Room Mouldings to match all papers.

WILLIAM H. SLATE,

EXCHANGE HOTEL BLD.

DR. AGNEW'S OINTMENT CURES SALT RHEUM, Eczema, Tetter, Barber's Itch, and all like skin diseases and eruptions. It gives relief in a day. Its cures are legion; its failures are few. Years of testing, and grows daily in favor of suffering humanity. Good for Baby's Skin, Good for young, middle-aged or old folks. 35 cents.
Sold by C. A. Kleim.

Get your job work done at the COLUMBIAN office.

H. J. CLARK & SON.

Dress Goods.

40 in. mohair novelties, 50c. yd.
50 in. all wool serges, 59c. yd.
38 in. all wool French Henrietta, 30c. yd.
52 in. all wool novelty suitings, 50c. yd.
52 in. all wool tailor suitings, 50c. yd.
50 in. all wool clay serge, 75c. yd.
36 in. all wool boucles, 37½c. yd.
36 in. all wool novelty suitings, 35c. yd.
36 in. all wool serges. 25c. yd.
28 in. novelty plaids, 15c. yd.
60 in. best cravenettes, $1.50 yd.
45 in. all wool checks, 55c. yd.

Silks. Silks.

Full lines of silks suitable for dresses, waists and separate skirts, also for trimmings.
27 in. satin Duchess, $1.00 yd.
21 in black satin brocades, 78c. yd.
21 in. black gros grain brocades, 85c. yd
21 in. fancy silks, 85c. yd.
20 in. fancy silks, 75c. yd.
24 in. light colored silks, 50c. yd.
21 in. (Poie De Soi Silk) $1.35 yd. (Special value.)
Full line of velvets in black and colors.

Muslin Underwear

Gowns at 44c., 49c., 59c., 71c., 83c., 98c., $1.00, $1.40, $2.00.
Corset covers at 10c., 12c., 15c., 25c., 29c., 35c., 39c., 50c., 75c.
Skirts at 50c., 75c., 89c., $1.00, $1.13, $1.39, $2.00 to $3.50.
Drawers at 25c., 31c., 40c., 50c., 65c., 75c., $1.25.
Chemise at 39c., 50c., 60c., 75c.
Children's drawers and night gowns, full line.

Hosiery.

Ladies' seamless black hose, 10c. pair.
Ladies' seamless fine gauge at 15c. pr.
Ladies' 40 gauge, high spliced heels and toes, regular made at 25c. pair.
Ladies' special hose at 31c. pair.
Ladies' fine lisle hose at 50c. pair.
Men's reg. made black hose at 2 for 25c.
Men's heavy black hose, reg. made, 17c. pair.
Boy's bicycle hose, all sizes, 15c. pr.
Boy's bicycle, extra heavy, all sizes, 18c. pair.

Ribbons.

Full line of all the leading colors in the newest ribbons.

Dress Linings.

A full line of the newest dress linings and trimmings of all kinds.
Selicias in all grades.
Percalines in all grades.
Silkolines, 12½c. yd.
Yard wide rustle linings, 10 and 12½c. yd
Sponge crepon, 10c. yd.
27 in. hair cloth, 15c. yd.

Corsets & Waists.

High bust corsets with straps, at 50c., $1.00 and $1.25.
Model Form corsets, $1.00.
American Lady corsets, $1.00.
Try our 50c. corset.

Domestic Goods.

Light calicoes, 4c. yd.
6–4 bleached muslin, 12½c. yd.
5–4 bleached muslin, 10c. yd.
Yd. wide bleached muslin, 6c. yd.
Yd. wide unbleached muslin, 5c. yd.
10–4 bleached sheeting, 20c. yd.
Columbian cheviots, 6½c. yd.
Lancaster ginghams, 5c. yd.
Heavy blue twills, 12½c. yd.
Good ticking, 12½c. yd.

H. J. CLARK & SON.

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

MARKET SQUARE DRY GOODS HOUSE.

This and next week is our special linen sale, with a big cut in prices for spot cash only.

Table linens in bleached, unbleached and red.
The $1.00 regular price, now 80c.
The 85c. regular price, now 72c.
The 25c. regular price, now 19c.
Others in the same list.

TABLE CLOTHS.
Were $3.00—this sale at $2.50
Were $1.00—this sale at 75c.
Others in the cut price sale.

Turkish towels, Huck towels, Damask towels, cut from $1.50 to $1.00 pair—$1.00 to 75c. Others as low as 16c.

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Stamped linens in single pieces and in sets, cut from $2.75 to $2.39, $2.25 to $1.85, 75c. to 59c. Others lower.

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WASHINGTON NOTES.

Four Justices of the Supreme Court are pedestrians in the full sense of the word. They are Justices Brown, Harlan, White, and Brewer. In favorable weather these four members of the highest legal tribunal in the United States invariably walk to and from their homes to the Capitol. It is a good two miles from the home of either of the four named to the big white building on the hill. They go to the court in the morning between 10 and 12, and when court adjourns for the day they usually walk up as far as Fourteenth street and Pennsylvania avenue together. Sometimes Chief Justice Fuller accompanies the Justices in their walks homeward. But the Chief Justice is not to be considered as a walker. He has a very handsome carriage, and generally makes use of it going and coming from the Supreme Court. Justices Brown, Harlan, Brewer and White are all good-sized men, and when they start on their way down Pennsylvania avenue, four abreast, they take up a good part of the sidewalk.

Mr. Cox, of Tennessee, recently offered in the House of Representatives a bill which recites the circumstances of Lee's surrender at Appomattox and the written guarantee that the artillery and cavalry officers of the Confederacy should be permitted to retain their horses, side arms, and baggage. After the surrender the Federal soldiers despoiled the Confederates of these effects, and they were never returned to their original owners. His bill appropriates $200,000 as a compensation for these losses upon satisfactory proof being furnished to the Quartermaster-General.

A Washington correspondent gives these details of the delicacies that are required for the inaugural ball supper: About eighty thousand oysters have been ordered from Baltimore and New York. There are 266 barrels, weighing 18,620 pounds, or over nine tons. They will cost say $1.20 a barrel. There's nearly $320 for oysters. There will be 350 gallons of consomme, to make which two whole oxen weighing, dressed, 1,400 pounds each, will be required, or a ton and a third of beef, at ten cents a pound, say $275. Nine thousand chicken cutlets will be served, requiring 2,700 chickens of an average weight of three pounds each. That makes nearly four ton of chickens, which will cost at a low estimate eight cents a pound, or $648. The caterer will need 500 gallons of dressed terrapin, and that amount will require 3,000 terrapin. Diamond backs are $72 a dozen. Sliders don't come so high by many dollars, but they are costly, nevertheless. Put the terrapin bill at $2,500 and the figures will not be far wrong. This caterer makes his chicken salad out of turkey. So for the chicken salad there will be 350 turkeys slaughtered, that will cost about $250 where the caterer gets them. Two thousand lobsters will be lost in the lobster salad, and five thousand crabs will lose their claws to make the crab salad. The bill for these shell fish will reach $450. Two hundred and fifty Smithfield hams will be cut up and served to the hungry right from the bone. They will cost seventy cents each. There's $175 more. There will be 250 big game pates, which will require 30 dozen quail, 60 dozen pheasants and the same number of grouse. There's easily $100 more at that time of year. There will be also 250 pates de foies gras, needing the livers of 1,000 geese. Add $200 more. Twelve thousand assorted sandwiches! Think of the loaves of bread to be sliced and the tubs of butter to be used! They will cost three cents apiece, or $360 in all. There will be 200 gallons of Roman punch, and it will cost seventy-five cents a gallon, even in that quantity—$150 more. And 1,800 gallons of vanilla and chocolate ice cream. Forty cents a gallon is the estimate of its cost, or a simple matter of $720 for that item. The fruit will comprise 50 boxes of oranges, 75 bunches of bananas, 500 pounds of Malaga grapes and 25 barrels of apples. Say 550 for the fruit. The cakes will be of the assorted kind and number thousands, and $300 will not cover their cost. Then there will be the lemon ice—700 gallons at thirty cents, or $120—and 500 pounds of coffee made into as many gallons. Twenty-five cents a pound is a low estimate for the coffee. That is $125 more. The estimates given of the cost of the supper make the caterer's expenditure $13,933. The Executive Committee in charge of the inaugural ceremonies will guarantee him $6,000. He will get that. That leaves it necessary for 7,933 persons to buy supper tickets, at $1 each, in order for the first cost, as estimated, to be met.

Every inaugural display costs a large sum of money, and if the amounts spent came from the public treasury, or had to be met by popular subscription, the propriety of observing the most rigid simplicity and economy might be readily acknowledged. But under the present system, the inauguration ceremony is made not only to pay for itself, but also to yield a certain sum beyond for purposes of public charity. Through the sale of the tickets to the ball and the disposal of the various franchises at the big Pension Building, enough money is invariably secured to return to the subscribers here the full amount of the guarantee fund collected, and in 1893 between $15,000 and $20,000 was found to be left, after settling all accounts, to be turned over to the charitable institutions of the District. No criticism under these circumstances could well lie against the scale on which the ball is planned or the disposition of the profit made from it. SENATOR.

THEATRICAL GOSSIP.

PEOPLE WHO BORE A POPULAR PRIMA DONNA.

The Life of an Operatic Favorite Not All Sunshine and Flowers—The Manner in Which Joseph Jefferson Silenced a Dramatic Critic.

The popularity of the prima donna when on the stage warbling operatic airs is nothing when compared with her popularity when off the stage and in the supposed seclusion of her own apartments. The number of callers freakish and otherwise, to whom an operatic star is expected to give audience when she ought to be resting from the fatigues of a night before the footlights is legion. Nearly all expect the prima donna to grant some favor, and seem to labor under the peculiar delusion that the singer is as much public property as an exhibit in the museum. The good natured among the prima donnas take it in good part and endeavor to receive as many of these

MLLE. CALVE.

callers as they can. Others refuse to be annoyed by them and prefer to risk losing their popularity rather than their temper by shutting themselves up in their rooms and denying admittance to all but personal friends. Mlle. Calve is approachable only to those who can speak French, Spanish or Italian. Her English is not good enough to enable her to converse with callers speaking only that language. Nevertheless, Calve is too good natured to refuse admission to a caller who is especially anxious to shake hands with the prima donna. A friend of Calve, who recently spent the day with her at her rooms in the Plaza Hotel, gives the following as the manner in which the prima donna "rested." Early in the morning a card was sent up on which appeared the name of Calve's medical attendant. As Calve was not feeling well, she welcomed the doctor's arrival and sent word for him to come up. What was the astonishment of the prima donna and her visitor to see come in, not the doctor, but a queer looking little man, evidently of German nationality, who wore a cloth cap and carried in his hand a bulky box. Putting the box down on the floor in front of him, as though he were about to perform sleight of hand tricks, in which the box was the feature, the caller went down on his knees on the carpet. This attitude of adoration is one to which Calve is not unused, both on the

CAMILLE D'ARVILLE.

stage and off, but the caller's looks were not reassuring, and the prima donna was about to ring for assistance when the visitor opened the box, disclosing a peddler's outfit, over which he proceeded to lecture in voluble German, declaring that he had come many miles in order to give Calve an opportunity to purchase his unequalled curiosities. In order to get rid of the apparition Calve asked the price of one article, which the peddler declared he could not afford to sell for less than $3. It was worth about ten cents, but Calve would have paid the amount had it not been for the intervention of her guest, who sent the pedler to the right about.

Joseph Jefferson was talking to a dramatic critic on one of the leading New York newspapers and fell to discussing modern journalism. Jefferson told the critic that he did not like his paper and seldom read it. The critic attempted to defend the paper by saying that the paper was printed for the great mass of people and not for such a man as Jefferson. Quick as an electric flash Jefferson answered: "Well, allow me to tell you as a dramatic critic that the drama is played for the great mass of people and not for such men as you." The critic was left to draw his own conclusion as to what Jefferson thought of him [illegible].

Rose.

Elsie—And did George say I was positively dovelike?

Clara—Something of that sort; said you were pigeon-toed, I believe.—New York Times.

THE COMING WOMAN.

the Up-to-Date Girl is No Angel and Hates Shams.

"Mazie," said the young lover, with delicate intonation, as he was escorting his best girl homeward by moonlight after the theatre supper, "suppose we follow out the old adage, instead of taking a car. Shall we?"

"The 'old adage?' "said the fair one. "You mystify me."

"Why, you know the ancient saw of the wise men, don't you, where they say:

"After dinner sit a while;
After supper walk a mile."

For a moment the dear creature meditated, and then she lifted her voice in the solemn stillness. "George," said she, half sternly, "I am no angel myself, but I must say I do hate shams. You might have put off my grandmother with that sort of a song and dance years ago, but not the modern, up-to-date belle. Stick to the truth. If, after the luxurious supper that we have enjoyed, you are broke for car fare, don't quote poetry nor beat around the bush. Just say: 'Mazie, dear, lend me a dime till to-morrow, and I will repay it with two kisses a minute interest at pawnbrokers' rates!'"

With a sigh the youth closed his hand about the precious silver piece and hailed a passing car. "I wonder what the coming man will look like," he mused silently, "if the coming woman gets any cleverer?"

And, with a shudder, he helped the fair mindreader into the cable car and sat down beside her as gingerly as if he were sitting down in a basket of eggs.—New York Journal.

Huckelberry—Say, Weary, yer know why dat water reminds me of you?

Weary—Naw; why?

Huckleberry—'Cause it never runs up a hill.

Perseverance.

"What kind of weather had we better predict?" inquired the clerk at the weather bureau.

"Much colder," replied his superior, promptly.

"But we've been saying that for the last three or four days, and every time we predicted 'much colder' the weather has seemed to get much warmer."

"My boy, never forget that to this business as well as to any other the old motto applies: 'Keeping everlastingly at it brings success.'"—Washington Star.

Getting His Name Up.

Two young men whose clothes were such as to make it probable that they would at any minute fall into picturesque attitudes and execute a song and dance, stood watching a big building that is nearing completion.

"It's a great piece of work," commented one of them.

"'Taint nothing else," was the reply.

"I wonder who's the guy that got it up. He ought to have his name to it."

"I reckon he has somewhere."

A Hunting Dog.

"I wanted to speak to you about that dog you sold me," said the small man.

"Well, he's all there, ain't he?"

"Yes. But you told me he was a hunting dog."

"Do you mean to contradict what I said?"

"Not for the world, sir. Not for the world. But I will go so far as to say I didn'tunderstand that his specialty was hunting a place to lie down and sleepin in."—Washington Star.

At the Auction.

First Stranger—There's no use talking, these horse dealers can fix a horse up so that you can't tell what you're buying.

Second stranger—That's so. There's one now that I'll bet the fellow who buys will get sick of.

First stranger—Oh, no, that horse is all right. I've just bought him.

Second stranger—Well, I ought to know; I've just sold him.—Texas Siftings.

Envy.

The heir moved about so softly during the obsequies that it attracted the attention of one of the relatives who got left.

"I half believe his grief is sincere," said the disappointed one. "Look how subdued he is."

"Yes," said the other disappointed one. "He is afraid of waking the old man up."—Indianapolis Journal.

He Saw the Ballet.

Uncle Ji—Who's thet woman thet hops around so pesky lively?

Cousin Filkins—That's the premiere danseuse.

Uncle Ji—She jumps so much like a kangaroo thet I though mebby she had something to do with this here Australyun ballot thet we've heard so much about down our way.—Cleveland Plain-Dealer.

Force of Habit.

"I saw that Miss Goldie's father walking around the club last night with two empty bottles in his pockets. He must have been awful full."

"I don't know about that. It may have been force of habit."

"Force of habit?"

"Yes, he used to be an old junk collector, you know."—Cleveland Plain-Dealer.

A Practical Reason.

The Teacher—Is it as easy to rise in the world now, children, as it was a hundred years ago?

Willie Sharp (whose father is a grocer)—No, ma'am.

The Teacher—What makes you think it isn't, Willie?

Johnnie—'Cause pa has gone up.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

BASE BALL NOTES.

Pitcher Con Lucid, a former member of the Phila. team, has been released by Newark.

The Cleveland team will start to train for the '97 campaign at home on March 20.

Mark Baldwin, the one time star pitcher, will manage the Auburn, N. Y. club next season.

Manager Stallings of the Phillies, arrived in the Quaker city the fore part of this week. He is expected to accomplish wonders.

Cleveland will have Sunday base ball this season. This is considered very necessary, as the games are poorly patronized during the week, and the crowd which gathers on Sunday outnumbers the crowds at all the other weekday games combined.

At a meeting held in New York recently the committee on new playing rules for the National League presented several additional recommendations. Rule 71, regarding scoring, is changed so that a player shall not be charged with a "time at bat" if he makes a manifestly intentional sacrifice hit.

Section 8, of the same rule, which treats of scoring stolen bases, is changed by striking out the last five lines, which were: "If a base runner advances a base on a flyout, or gains two bases on a single base hit, or an attempted out, he shall be credited with a stolen base, provided there is a possible chance and a palpable attempt made to retire him."

Section 9, of the same rule, which defines the scoring of earned runs, has been changed by striking out the words "unaided by errors" in the second line, and substitution of the words "by the aid of base hits only."

Rule 27, giving the summary of the score, is changed as follows: "From Section 1 the words "by each side" are stricken out, and the words "off each pitcher" added.

To Section 7 is added: "And the names of players who are thus given bases."

A Tour to Balmy Florida via Pennsylvania Railroad.

When the North is at its worst Florida is at its best. When lakes and rivers are icebound here and a drifting snow fills our streets the violets are blooming there and the air is laden with the sweet perfume of budding Spring. When Old Boreas howls around our northern homes and the frost king rules, the mocking bird is singing in Florida's graceful palms and the whole land is melodious with happy song. The elegant special trains of the Pennsylvania Railroad Jacksonville tours are fitting introductions to this delightful land. The next tour, allowing two weeks in Florida, leaves New York and Philadelphia under personal escort February 23. Round trip tickets, including Pullman accommodations and meals on the special train, will be sold at the following rates: From New York, $50.00; Philadelphia, $48.00; Canandaigua, $52.85; Erie, $54.85; Pittsburg, $53.00, and at proportionate rates from other points.

For tickets and itineraries apply to ticket agents, Tourist Agent, 1196 Broadway, New York, or to George W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

What Has Occurred There Since Our Former Report.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by Clerk W. H. Henrie since those published last week.

Michael Gillespie, of Centralia Borough, to Miss Kate Haffey, of the same place.

Charles Sitler, of Briarcreek, to Miss Nora Michael, of the same place.

Aaron C. Jury, of Scranton, to Miss L. Gertrude Hower, of Bloomsburg.

Samuel B. Kelchner, of Briarcreek township, to Miss Anna Yost, of the same place.

Charles Keefer, of Catawissa, to Miss Agnes Stine, of Cleveland township.

D. W. Terney, of Bloomsburg, to Miss Lizzie Stobner, of the same place.

Of Rings.

Middle ages it was not only generally believed that rings could be charmed by the power of the magician, but that the engraved stones on ancient rings which were found on old sites possessed supernatural properties, the good or evil influences of which would be imparted to the wearer.

Rings made of the bones of an ostrich were deemed of rare value; those of hoof inclosed in gold a remedy for epilepsy.

A piece of silver collected at the communion and made into a ring is still supposed to be a cure for convulsions and fits of every kind; if collected on Easter Sunday its efficacy is greatly increased.

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There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over ¼ as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15cts. and 25cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O

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FRANKLIN AS AN INVENTOR.

Catalogue of His Achievements, Showing His Activity and Resource.

Philip G. Hubert, Jr., in a sketch of Franklin in his recent book, "Inventors," says, "Nothing in nature failed to interest him;" and a catalogue of his achievements, showing his activity and resource, is conclusive proof of the truth of both statements:

Franklin inspired and established the Junto, the pleasantest and most useful American club of which we have knowledge.

He founded the Philadelphia Library, parent of a thousand libraries, which marked the beginning of an intellectual movement of endless good to the whole country.

He first turned to great account the engine of advertising, indispensable in all modern business.

He published "Poor Richard," a record of homely wisdom in such shape that hundreds of thousands of readers were made better and stronger by it.

He created the post-office system of America, and was the first champion of a reformed spelling.

He invented the Franklin stove, which economized fuel, and he suggested valuable improvements in ventilation and the building of chimneys.

He robbed thunder of its terrors, and lightning of some of its power to destroy.

He founded the American Philosophical Society, the first organization in America of the friends of science.

He suggested the use of mineral manures, introduced the basket willow, promoted the early culture of silk, and pointed out the advantages of white clothing in summer.

He measured the temperature of the Gulf Stream, and discovered that northeast storms may begin in the southwest.

He pointed out the advantage of building ships in water-tight compartments, taking the hint from the Chinese, and first urged the use of oil as a means of quieting dangerous seas.

Besides these great achievements, accomplished largely as recreation from his life-work as economist and statesman, Benjamin Franklin helped the whole race of inventors by a remark that has been of incalculable value and comfort to theorists and dreamers the world over. When some one spoke contemptuously of Montgolfier's balloon experiments, and asked of what use they were, the great American replied in words now historic, "Of what use is a new-born babe?"

A Famous Creole Woman Dead.

One of the most picturesque characters in New Orleans passed away a few days ago in the person of Dame Veuve (widow) Marie Madeleine Zoe Cruzat Peychaud, "Tante Zoe," as she was known to the entire creole population of New Orleans.

Mme. Peychaud was 93 years of age. She had figured so conspicuously from her very childhood in the society and history of New Orleans, and her memory was so bright, that she seemed far older than the century. She was of the best creole stock, a granddaughter of that Chevalier Chalmette (Chalmette de Lino) upon whose plantation the battle of New Orleans was fought, which Louisiana folks always called the battle of Chalmette, and the daughter of that Senor Cruzat who was Governor of all the vast Missouri territory of Spain which stretched from the Mississippi to the Pacific. When after the victory of New Orleans, the population of that city, with the Gallic love for display, welcomed General Jackson with pomp and ceremony in the Place d'Armes, now Jackson square, it was little Zoe Cruzat, then a girl of 12, dressed in white, with gay red and blue ribbons, and representing Louisiana, that placed a laurel wreath on the brow of the victorious General.

Tante Zoe was but 16 when she married and but 22 when she became a widow, yet she leaves scores of descendants, gradchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren behind her. From 1820 almost to the time of her death Mme. Peychaud was the leader of creole society. She had the proscenium box at the first opera ever given in New Orleans. She entertained in brilliant style the Duc d'Orleans, Louis Philippe of France, when a refugee in America. She led in the balls, the opera, and everything else. When her youth passed away Mme. Peychaud remained the idol of the creole world. There was never a sick person in the French quarter whose bedside she did not visit, nor any one in trouble who did not consult her; and her Thursday levees, which she kept up until she was 90, were the rendezvous of young and old, for Mme. Peychaud could tell the most delightful stories of old creole days.—New Orleans Correspondence New York Sun.

Part Chicken, Part Snake.

"I'll wager you never saw a chicken like that," said Jacob Hope of Ninth street, above Filbert, as he dived into a cage and sought out a mottled pullet. He would have won the wager, for the pullet has the head of a snake, as well developed as any serpent that ever wriggled. It has no beak at all, but in its stead is a mouth, from which darts back and forth with all the snake's characteristics a red stinger. To prove the strange resemblance, Mr. Hope reached into a glass case and brought forth a gray and white mottled snake about seven feet long, which he affectionately twined about his neck. It was hard to tell which head looked most snake-like. Another odd feature of the pullet is its lack of toes and claws.Philadelphia Record.

Three Cents a Drink.

Low-water mark has been reached on upper Park row in the region of cheap restaurants and "plug hat" saloons in the opening of a rather pretentious resort at which everything in the drink line is sold at three cents. The weary wanderer with a few pennies and a thirst stands delighted before large signs announcing "The largest schooner of beer, ale or porter in the world, 3 cents; The largest glass sold of pure Kentucky rye, 3 cents; All mixed drinks, Broadway style, 3 cents; All kinds of hot drinks, 3 cents; sherry and egg, 3 cents." Then follows a long dunch bill of fare, the prevailing prices upon which are one cent and the highest three cents.—New York Journal.

TO INCREASE SPEED OF SHIPS.

System of Pipes Spreads a Film of Petroleum Below the Water Line.

The invention of a simple and inexpensive device for accelerating the speed of ships and preventing barnacles and corrosion has recently been brought to the attention of the Chief of Construction and other officials of the Navy Department in Washington, with the result that Assistant Secretary of the Navy McAdoo has appointed Chief Engineer George Cowie, Jr., U. S. N., stationed at the New York Navy Yard, a commissioner to witness a test of the idea on a large scale and report on it to the department.

The invention consists of a mechanism which envelops the submerged portion of a ship with a film of oil, thus reducing friction and overcoming to a large degree the resistence of the water.

A series of iron flanges are fastened along the bottom and sides of the ship below the water line, in which are inserted sheets of woven wire netting, lathing or sheet iron, covered with an absorbent composition saturated with oil. The flanges have a semicircular covering on top, below which runs a finely perforated pipe, which ejects a fine spray of oil against the inside of the flange and on to the sheets, from which it spreads downward.

The oil is not carried away by the water, but through capillary attraction is spread, thus keeping the ship's hull greased without any waste of oil. It is said that the composition is a perfect carrier of oil under the surface of the water, a feature which has never before been achieved and which will make oil perform below the water line the same service that it does in quelling a rough sea.

It is said for the invention that, applied to any vessel, either steam or sailing, it will increase the speed by at least twenty-five per cent without augmenting the amount of machinery or the expenditure of fuel. Another and most valuable feature claimed is that it will prevent the growth of barnacles. These enemies to ships' hulls necessitate frequent dry docking and scraping, at large cost.

The inventor also declares that the fatty composition will completely prevent corrosion of hulls.

The oil used is crude petroleum, and is supplied to the pipes by tanks and valves located above the water line. The system is so arranged that in rough weather a large quantity of oil can be discharged along the sides of the ship and distributed over the surface of the water, thus providing a more effective method of greasing and smoothing high seas than any yet devised.—New York Herald.

FASHION NOTES.

Belts of bias satin are sometimes gathered at intervals up and down and the stiches covered with jet sequins.

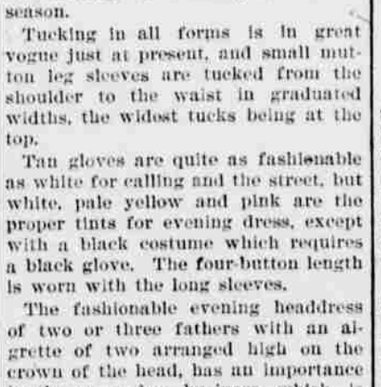
The newest thing in wedding veils is tulle with a ruffle of rose point all around the edge.

Boleros of lace and wide draped belts fastened with rhinestone buckles are features of wedding gowns this season.

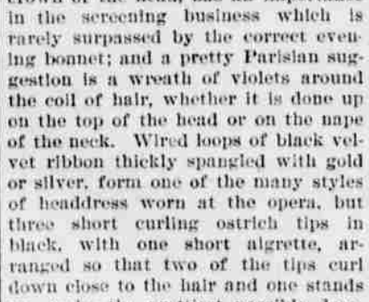
Tucking in all forms is in great vogue just at present, and small mutton leg sleeves are tucked from the shoulder to the waist in graduated widths, the widest tucks being at the top.

Tan gloves are quite as fashionable as white for calling and the street, but white, pale yellow and pink are the proper tints for evening dress, except with a black costume which requires a black glove. The four-button length is worn with the long sleeves.

The fashionable evening headdress of two or three fathers with an aigrette of two arranged high on the crown of the head, has an importance in the screening business which is rarely surpassed by the correct evening bonnet; and a pretty Parisian suggestion is a wreath of violets around the coil of hair, whether it is done up on the top of the head or on the nape of the neck. Wired loops of black velvet ribbon thickly spangled with gold or silver, form one of the many styles of headdress worn at the opera, but three short curling ostrich tips in black, with one short aigrette, arranged so that two of the tips curl down close to the hair and one stands up, make the prettiest possible decoration for light brown hair.



"What an old face that baby has!"



"Why, no; that's the nurse!"

THE WORLD AWHEEL.

A Big Bicycle for the Paris Exposition—Other Gossip.

The bicycle built for two thousand, to be seen at the Paris Exposition of 1900, will be the very behemoth of bicycles—the largest wheel ever built. It could be ridden only by a giant more than twice as tall as the Colossus of Rhodes. Upon it such a rider could scorch around the world in about the time required by an ordinary wheelman for a spin through Central Park.

It is, in fact, a carefully constructed edifice of the best Bessemer steel; and what the Eiffel Tower was to the last Paris Exposition the big bicycle will be to this. Unquestionably, it is to be the star attraction of the great exhibition.

This monster wheel will be taller than any of the tall buildings surrounding it. Its saddle would just overtop Weather Prophet Dunn's observation tower on the roof of Gotham's tallest office building. All the other dimensions are in proportion. But the big bicycle is a very complete building in itself. It has two large entrances, one at the bottom of each of its wheels, cut right through the tires. Winding stairways lead from the doors up the front and back of each wheel through the forward and rear standards to the backbone of the machine. Thence spiral steps ascend to the handle bar and saddle.

The stairs are lighted throughout by numerous windows of quaint design, through which great variety of views can be obtained as the sightseer mounts to the top of the structure. As he is constantly turning in his ascent the outlook changes with every step, and he enjoys a magnificent natural panorama. Particularly fine will be the prospect from the windows of the handle bar.

A BICYCLE POSTER.

(Reproduced from Chicago Times-Herald.)

On the saddle is a broad platform, around which runs a strong steel rail; it is large enough for the most elaborate cotillon ever danced. Here, while the warm summer weather lasts, open air banquets will be held for the entertainment of eminent visitors. Dances will also be given at intervals while the exposition lasts.

The backbone of the big bicycle will contain a really marvelous apartment. This will be a grand saloon scarcely as many spans in width as it is yards in length. It is intended principally for use as a banquet hall. One long table will run down the centre through its entire length, at which six hundred persons may be seated comfortably.

Chainless bicycles in which two pairs of bevel gears are used instead of the chain, are reported to have proved their superiority over the present style of wheel in a test, in which a wheel was run thirty-nine thousand miles without adjustment or appreciable wear, says Engineering News. "Dynamometer tests also show that the bevel gears run with less friction than the chain. It is stated that one of the largest manufacturers will soon put these wheels on the market.

The average pedestrian moves about thirty inches at each step. The wheelman mounted on a bicycle of average gear covers about 8½ feet at each downward movement of the legs, which makes half a revolution of the pedals.

HE STOOD CORRECTED.

He—I will speak to your father to-morrow.

She (glancing at the clock)—You mean the day after to-morrow.

THE LIBERTY LEAGUE.

An Organization That Opposes the Election to Office of Extremists.

Londoners and New Yorkers, who have long been afflicted with societies for the prevention of this, that and the other, or organizations for the promotion of fads of every description, should take example from certain of the residents of New Zealand, the land of advanced ideas. These residents arrived at the conclusion that civilization was advancing with too rapid strides in New Zealand and that individual rights and liberties were being trodden under foot by faddists.

They accordingly formed an organization named the Liberty league, the members of which are pledged to oppose any person who stands for election who is an extremist upon any subject injuriously affecting the rights of citizens, and to conserve what remains of individual liberty, and to win back the rights of which the people have been robbed by predatory enactments.

Some time ago total prohibition of the liquor traffic was enforced in certain parts of the country, with the result, as borne out by high church dignitaries, that these districts are now noted for drunkenness. Notwithstanding this fact, the prohibitionists are determined to force their ideas upon the whole colony. One of the objects of the Liberty league is to resist by every constitutional means the attempts of the prohibitionists to stop the manufacture, sale, importation or use of liquor in the colony.

In the recent elections for members of the house of representatives the league worked strenuously against the prohibition candidates, with the result that they were everywhere defeated. It is hoped that henceforth the socialistic legislation of the New Zealand parliament will be checked through the influence of the leaguers, who include some of the most prominent men of the country.—*New York Sun.*

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Economy of Youth.

The following was related by a gentleman who traveled recently in a ship that carried Mark Twain from South Africa to England. During dinner, one evening, a young gentleman made himself aggressive, with the usual tall lion stories. The American writhed in silence for a time, but finding it grew almost beyond bearing, with great politeness admonished him in this wise:

"We all know Mr. So-and-So, that truth is a very rare virtue. I am glad to see that you economize it."

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE.

Estate of Henry Earl Hess, late of Scott township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Henry Earl Hess, late of Scott township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administratrix, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to

MRS. MARY ANGLE,
Administratrix

1-14-6t

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of James Johnson, late of Madison township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of James Johnson, late of Madison township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator de bonis non cum testamento annexo, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to

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SALES.

FEB. 27. J. D. and W. K. Armstrong, administrators of Chas. P. Armstrong, deceased, will sell at auction on the premises of D. W. Armstrong in Bloomsburg, at 9.30 a. m. horses, cows, wagons, harness, farm implements, household goods, canned goods, stoves, &c.

FEB. 24. J. S. Lazarus, agent, will sell horses, cattle, and farm utensils on the premises at the double bridge below Bloomsburg, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

FEB. 23 & 24.—Dr. J. R. Evans, corner of Jefferson and Third Streets, Bloomsburg, Pa., will sell all his household goods and other personal property Tuesday and Wednesday February 23 and 24th. His comfortable home is for rent.

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After Heavy Damages.

Three suits for $75,000 each were commenced in the Luzerne courts against the Delaware, Susquehanna & Schuylkill Railroad and the Lehigh Traction Company. The plaintiffs are Mrs. Vienna Kershner, John D. Williams and Mrs. Regina M. Stapleton. The husbands of Mrs. Stapleton and Mrs. Kershner and the sons of Williams were recently killed at Hazleton by an engine crashing into a trolley car: hence the suit.

There have appeared in the columns of this paper for several years the advertisements of Ely's Cream Balm, a remedy for Catarrh, Cold in the Head, and Hay Fever. It is with much pleasure that we can call the particular attention of our readers to the fact that this article stands very high among remedies, and particularly high as a catarrh medicine. Ely Brothers, we are informed, have had long experience as druggists and pharmacists, and a remedy coming from such a source should have the confidence of those desiring a reliable preparation. One fact that should inspire confidence in their catarrh cure (Ely's Cream Balm) is that they are willing to have it put to the test, and in order that everyone may try it they are now offering a generous trial size through the druggists, or will mail it on receipt of 10 cents. The full size is 50 cents per package. You need not hesitate to send to them for the remedy. Their address is 56 Warren Street, New York City.

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President-elect Ill.

President-elect McKinley has been confined to his room by illness for the last few days. Many went to call on him Wednesday, but fell by the wayside, as he was able to see no one but his mother and household. He is getting along nicely at present, but it is not likely that he will be well enough to receive callers before the first of the week.

No Danger of War in Crete.

In regard to the Cretan crisis, Secretary Olney has had dispatches from the American minister, Eben Alexander, stationed at Athens, conveying briefly some of the important points including very full press accounts of occurrences in Athens. Minister Alexander is of the opinion that there is no danger of war there.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Elias Hicks, of Williamsport, well-known to many residents of this town, was the scene of a pleasant gathering last week in celebration of the 40th anniversary of their wedding. A Williamsport exchange in speaking of the affair says:

"Their two children and 10 grandchildren were present to participate in the celebration, and the day was one always to be remembered by those taking part in the event. Mr. and Mrs. Hicks' wedding occurred at Wilkes-Barre on Feb. 7, 1847. More than half their married life was spent at Bloomsburg, the pretty capital of Columbia County. Here they lived for 29 years. They have been residents of Williamsport for about 12 years. Mr. Hicks is now 74 years of age, while his wife is 68 years old."

Married.

BENDER—BEISHLINE. On the 11th, inst. at the home of the bride by Rev. A. Houtz, Mr. Lloyd Bender of Stillwater and Miss Susie Beishline of Bendertown.

On Thursday evening, February 11th, at the parsonage of Trinity Reformed Church by the Rev. C. H. Brandt, Mr. Charles Mellick of Mt. Pleasant Township, and Miss Carrie Bogard of Hemlock township.

Samuel B. Kelchner and Miss Anna Yost, both of Briarcreek, were married by Rev. I. M. Patterson at Presbyterian Manse, on Thursday evening of last week.

Wm. L. Dewart, one of the editors of the Sunbury *Daily*, and Weekly *Democrat*, was married on Tuesday of last week to Miss Edith Grant, at St. Matthew's P. E. Church, Sunbury.

Henry C. Crawford, and Miss Jessie L. Crawford, both of Mordansville were married at the home of the bride's parents, on Thursday last. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Minsker.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common water glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates a diseased condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. The frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists price fifty cents and one dollar. For a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail, mention THE COLUMBIAN and send your full post-office address to Dr. Kilmer & Co, Binghamton, N. Y.

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HARRISBURG LETTER.

Grace Church Has All the Features of a Capitol Building.

NEED OF INCREASED TAXATION.

Measures Which Propose a Revenue from the Great Natural Resources of the Commonwealth—Opposition to Increasing the Burdens of the Farmers.

(Special Correspondence.)

Harrisburg, Feb. 15.—There has been a great transformation in the improvised quarters of the legislature in the past few days, and Grace Methodist Episcopal church at the present time presents in its interior all the features of a capitol building, so that when the legislature convenes again on Wednesday the members will find new desks have been provided, and everything established to add to their comfort and convenience. It is to be hoped nothing further will hinder them in their work during the remainder of the session. One of the members remarked in a jocular way a few days ago that it looked now as though there had only been two things accomplished since the organization—the election of a United States senator and the burning of the capitol. But there is a determination to get down to business, and from present indication there is every reason to justify the belief that much good will be accomplished this session.

There has been much discussion among the members of both branches of the legislature on a number of questions of importance to the state, and the deep interests that is taken, and the many plans proposed would lead a person to conclude that, after all, the fire was a blessing in disguise. One thing is certain, it will result in a more efficient fire department in Harrisburg, and greater security will be given to the remainder of the property of the state on the hill, especially those which contain the important records of the state. It is possible that, through the loss entailed, and the fact that a greater revenue will be required, a new source of revenue will be developed.

Why Minerals Should be Taxed.

It is contended by some of the members that the citizens of Pennsylvania have made a mistake heretofore in not exacting a state tax on the more important minerals mined and produced within the limits of the state. They claim that the mining of coal has been made profitable to a number of persons who have taken their profits to build palaces in New York city and engage in enterprises in other states.

The production of petroleum has been the means of securing great wealth to a number of persons, some of whom have used it to engage in manufacturing on a gigantic scale in other states, and also used a part of their profits in the establishment of universities in different parts of the country. It is claimed that the development of these enterprises have been a great source of expense to the state, owing to the large percentage of foreigners that have been brought into the state, and through whom the percentage of crime has increased, requiring an increased expenditure in the state in their incarceration in the prisons. Then, as there is more or less hazard connection with these occupations, there is necessarily an increase in the number of patients to the various hospitals belonging to the state. These, and the fact that considerable expense is necessary in the surveillance over the various mining interests by the state, and other features, they believe, justifies the state in demanding a state tax on coal, petroleum and other mineral products; and with these, in addition to the revenues now collected, there can be sufficient raised to build a new capitol building that will be a credit, and have a balance to devote to the improvement of roads, school purposes or anything else of importance to Pennsylvania.

Those who oppose the imposing of a tax on the various mineral resources of the state claim that it would only put a further burden on the consumers of the state, who are very large users of those minerals and who would have to pay this tax in the end, and just how to eliminate this feature from the question is what is perplexing those who are advocating a tax on the principal mineral elements.

A bill recently introduced imposes a tax on all beer and porter manufactured or brewed in the state during the ensuing three years. The amount of the tax is one-half of 1 per cent. upon each gallon of beer, ale or porter brewed within the state, and in this tax it is thought considerable revenue can be derived.

There is a determined stand against any increase of taxes on the farming interests, which will have an influence on legislation increasing the taxes on farms, and no further burden is likely to be imposed on this overburdened class.

Additional Taxation Proposed.

A bill was introduced by Mr. Bliss, of Delaware, imposing these additional taxes, all of which shall be retained in the state treasury for the use of the commonwealth: One mill to be imposed on personal property, except public loans liable to taxation under the act of 1889 and 1891; one mill on the actual value of all capital stock and gross receipts subject to taxation under these acts; 2 per cent on the gross receipts of every character and description received from business done within the commonwealth during the next three years by insurance companies of other states and foreign governments, subject to the act of 1889; one mill on the par value, or actual value of the shares of all banks, saving institutions and national banks; 1 per cent on all annual net earnings or incomes, subject to the act of 1889; $1 per $100 of the clear value of every estate subject to the act of 1887. This act is to be in force until Jan. 1, 1900. Basing the estimate on the tax realized in 1895 this would aggregate an increase of the revenue of $2,391,371.

Among the bills introduced prior to the adjournment last week was one providing that every person entitled to a vote who failed to cast a ballot at any of the elections be subject to a fine of $5.

Mr. Keller's bill to grant an appropriation of $300 to purchasing suitable medals for the members of the Juniata cavalry, which afterwards became Company A, First Pennsylvania cavalry, in commemoration of their being the first company to offer service to Governor Curtin in the breaking out of the civil war, will be contested by a company from Mifflin county, who have the records to show that they have very strong claims for this honor. It is thought that there should be an investigation of these claims during this session to ascertain what authority they have for special recognition, and this be done while the principals, General John P. Taylor, who was captain of the company from Mifflin county, afterwards Company C, First Pennsylvania cavalry, and Colonel John J. Patterson, captain of the Juniata calvary, are alive.

Opposed to Moving the Capitol.

The bill introduced by Senator Thomas proposing the removal of the capitol to Philadelphia has few friends, the general sentiment among the members favoring its retention in Harrisburg. They realize that there is no time to lose in the consideration of a question of this character, and the state has nothing to gain and much to lose in the removal.

The most important committee since the fire is now considered the committee on buildings and grounds, in both senate and house. Heretofore this committee has been conspicuous for the little amount of work that was required, but the destruction of the old capitol building has given them new importance. There has some friction and jealousy developed as a result.

In the senate there are but ten members, while there are 25 in the house. The fact of the little importance of this committee led to the appointment of a number of anti-Quay members. A resolution was offered, it is thought for the purpose of taking the power out of the hands of the present committee on buildings and grounds and substituting another to be selected and appointed by the chairman of the house committee on public buildings, together with the governor and lieutenant governor, state treasurer, auditor general and speaker of the house, to constitute a special committee, whose duty it shall be to consider and adopt plans and specifications for a new state capitol building, etc., and further provides that all repair work shall be by American citizens, and as far as practicable all material shall be of Pennsylvania product. This provoked a session of the joint committees of a very exciting nature, and the result was that the resolution was tabled and an arrangement made for the chairman of the committee to meet the governor and discuss the subject with him. It is altogether probable there will be some spirited contests in these committees before the subject is disposed of.

Booming the Candidates.

Within the past few days the friends of several prospective candidates have started a boom for their favorites for important places on the hill. There are many aspirants for Governor Hastings' position two years hence, and among those recently reported who would be willing to serve the state in this capacity are Congressman-elect Connell of Scranton and Congressman Leisenring, and there is a movement on foot among the old soldiers to have General John P. Taylor put in the race. General Wiley, Speaker Boyer, Auditor General Mylin, and many others, are spoken of in connection with the governorship, and from present indications there will be many candidates to select from in the next contest for governor. It is given out that John Wanamaker will be the candidate of his faction for governor. It is understood that General J. P. S. Gobin will be a strong candidate for auditor general. There does not seem to be many applicants for the position of state treasurer. Few seem to care for the experience and responsibility connected with that office. There are only two persons whose friends are active in endeavoring to secure the nomination, and these are R. H. Shindel, cashier of the City bank of York, Pa., and Mr. Beacon of Greensburg, and in the canvass of these gentlemen there is not likely to be much friction. There are frequent rumors of the likelihood of Governor Hastings securing a place in McKinley's cabinet, although he denies that he is a candidate for the position. Several persons have visited Canton recently, it is thought in his interest. In the event of his being tendered a cabinet portfolio, and his acceptance, it is thought a great change will be made in political circles.

It is not likely there will be an effort made to remove the debris of the old capitol building and steps taken towards the erection of the new for some time. The adjournment of the senate until the evening of Feb. 22 will postpone any action in that direction.

Disposition to Move Cautiously.

There is a disposition among the members to move cautiously in the beginning of an effort to construct a new capitol building. It seems to be the desire to consult the people generally, and if possible ascertain their desires as to the amount that should be expended, and not build a structure that would be unpopular among the majority. There will be little time for holidays for the remainder of the sessions, and to get through with the work outlined at anything like the usual time for adjournment will require steady and active work from this on.

It should be born in mind that among the bills usually left to the last is the general appropriation bill. It should get the precedence, even if other measures should be sacrificed when there is time to spare. Many important acts have already been proposed, and these should be acted on promptly and brought before the people for investigation. But at this stage of the proceedings not a single one has been reported and placed on the calendar, while many that have been talked about have not been introduced even. It therefore becomes our lawmakers to be exceedingly industrious during the remainder of the session.

The public building committee of the house and senate have been investigating the cause of the capitol fire. Of the witnesses examined the majority conclude that the fire originated from the open hearth in the lieutenant governor's room, and it communicated under the floor. During the investigation it developed that the state had adopted but few fire precautions. No efforts had ever been made to organize a fire brigade, and little, if any, extinguishment material had been supplied. By those who were familiar with its condition it has been regarded for years as a tinder box, and to them it is a wonder that it had not burned several years ago.

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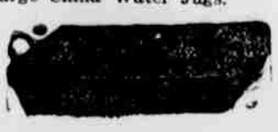

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MOLLY'S DRESS.

A CHARMING LOVE STORY.

Molly was determined to go to the party, and yet she knew that she would be the worst dressed girl in the room. Her frocks were all so shabby, and none of them more so than the one she would be forced to wear if she accepted Frank Gillman's invitation. With a deep sigh she rose from the bed where she had been lying, thinking the whole matter over, and turned towards the tiny closet where all her dresses were hung. Reaching into its musty recesses, Molly drew forth a much bedrabbled gray dress and looked at it sadly. When new the preceding summer it had served as a best gown, and in that capacity did enough service to have been placed upon the retired list, but Molly was not as considerate as that. With considerable ingenuity she had transformed the coat basque into a low-cut evening waist, and the long sleeves into pretty little puffs. Around the neck she had draped a little cheap chiffon, and above it her soft white neck had emerged like a lily. Now, however, the dress was creased and stained and the chiffon rumpled. She might afford new chiffon, but that would not cover the stains, or a great tear in the skirt. All the other girls were going to have new dresses, but that was something beyond her scanty purse.

"Oh, dear," she sighed again, tossing the dress aside and sinking back on the bed, "if I were a girl in a story book, I'd have some convenient garret to go to, and there I'd find a handsome piano cover, or a lamp mat, or a bedspread, or something equally useful, out of which I'd rig up a dress that would make all the other girls turn green with envy. As I am just Molly Prentiss, a clerk on five dollars a week, I can't have a new dress, oh, dear! oh, dear!" and poor Molly buried her pretty face in her hands and sobbed bitterly. She was only twenty, and it was so hard to deny herself all the things girls of her age most love. At last she roused herself, and sitting down, wrote a courteous refusal to Frank Gillman's invitation, although her eyes were so blinded with tears that she could scarcely write the address. Not waiting, for fear she would change her mind, Molly caught up a shawl, and, throwing it around her, rushed out to the nearest letter box and dropped the letter in. As she saw it disappear she caught her breath, and would have given worlds to have recalled it, but it was too late, and she returned to her room very much depressed in spirits.

A boarding-house is not the most cheerful place in the world, and Molly thought hers had never seemed so gloomy as it did that evening, and when she went to bed at last she sobbed herself to sleep.

The party upon which she had set her heart was not a great social event, but to her it was of vast importance. It was merely a dance given by the young men in the store where she was employed, and Frank Gillman was the floor walker of Molly's department. For some time she had noticed that he had paid her special attention, overlooking little things she said and did, but it was not until she had read his note, which was awaiting her when she reached home the preceding night, that she realized that he regarded her with any special favor.

When she took up her position behind the counter and tied her black apron about her waist, Molly saw that Frank's eyes were fixed upon her face, which still bore the traces of her weeping, and she tried to smile at him, but her eyes filled with tears. The young man noticed her emotion, but was too busy to go over and inquire into the cause of it for several hours. When he did so, she had recovered her self-possession, and merely laughed away his inquiries. When Frank received her little note, however, he began to understand that something was worrying her, and he resolved to discover the cause of her depression. During the days which followed, however, Molly avoided him constantly, and he felt that he must have offended her in some manner or other, when he overheard a little conversation between another girl and her which enlightened him wonderfully. It was the day of the party, and all the girls were chattering about it upon every opportunity.

"Say, Molly," whispered one of the girls to Molly, as the two were sorting out some of their stock towards the close of the day, "what are you going to wear to-night?"

"I'm not going," Molly replied, with a little catch in her voice.

"Not going; Come, now, that's too bad. Didn't you get a bid?"

"Yes."

"Then why don't you go?" aws the astonished question.

"Because I had not fit dress," Molly replied, the tears standing in her eyes. "I won't go in debt for anything, and you know I have nothing except what I earn, since my brother died last winter."

"Oh, that's too bad," returned her companion, carelessly, turning away to wait upon a customer; and Molly, after making a dab or two at her eyes, continued her work, unaware that Frank had been listening to her little confession. A few moments later she was waiting upon a disagreeable customer, and he was calling to the cash girls to hurry, yet he managed to give her a tender, bright smile as he passed, that lifted the heavy cloud which was hanging over her, and she started for home with an almost light heart. As she was hurrying along the street she heard some one call her name, and looking around saw Frank. Her cheek flushed, and she looked as though she would have liked to have run from him. He gave her another tender look, saying, as he took her hand and drew it through his arm:

"Why didn't you tell me your reason for not accepting my invitation?"

"Because——" Molly began, and then hesitated.

"I know what it was. I heard you telling Nelly this afternoon," Frank continued, looking down at her blushing face.

"Oh, gracious!" Molly cried, half crying. "I wouldn't have had you know it for anything."

"And why not?"

"Because I wouldn't," Molly returned, striving to draw her hand away from his arm.

"You are silly," Frank said, with considerable energy. "Is there any disgrace in being poor? It is a good deal more to your credit that you weren't willing to make your landlady wait for her money so you could have a new dress, than if you had cheated her. I'd sooner starve myself than do as most the fellows do, go into debt as deeply as they can, so you see I admire just that quality in you."

"Well, it's the right thing to do," Molly replied, softly.

"Inded it is; and now I want you to do me a favor, will you?"

"Of course."

"I want you to go home and put on whatever dress you have, no matter what it is, and I'll bring you some roses and we'll go to that party. No matter what your dress is, you will be the prettiest girl there, to me, at least. Will you?"

To her surprise, Molly said yes, and hurried along, her heart beating so hard she could hear it.

Without waiting for any dinner, she rushed up to her room, and again took out the despised dress. At night perhaps it wouldn't look so awfully bad, she thought, as she shook it out and began to sponge the satins, and by the time she had pressed it with a hot iron she begged from the cook, it really was improved. Removing the soiled chiffon, she replaced it with a little lace, cheap and somewhat torn, but clean, and when she added a bow of ribbon to hide the mended place in the skirt, Molly felt that it looked almost like a new dress. She had scarcely finished dressing when Frank arrived, and putting on her wraps, she ran down to meet him, her face flushed and her eyes sparkling. No one was in the hall as she came down, and Frank bent and kissed the face which had become so dear to him, saying as he did so:

"You know that I love you, don't you?" and Molly could only look her answer.

When they reached the hall where the dance was to be held, Frank gave her a large bunch of flowers he had been carrying, and left her at the door of the dressing-room. A few moments later he called for her, and started when he saw what a transformation happiness and a dozen roses had wrought. She had pinned a great cluster of them in the torn lace, their glossy leaves and velvety petals hiding all deficiencies of the trimming, while one of them nestled in her soft brown hair. Her cheeks glowed like companion roses, and her eyes were like stars. He said nothing, but Molly knew by his admiring look that he would not be ashamed, and she felt satisfied.

After spending the most enjoyable evening of her life, Molly said, as she and Frank were walking to the street cars:

"I've had the best time I ever had."

"Have you, dear?" Frank returned, pressing her arm to his side. "Are you willing to make me the happiest man in the world?" and his voice trembled as he looked down at the little figure.

"How?" Molly whispered, without looking up.

"By promising to marry me," he returned; and Molly's answer must have satisfied him, for he said as they parted on the steps of the boarding-house:

"Now mind, Molly, this dress must be kept. We'll put it under glass and keep it in the parlor, won't we, dearest?" and Molly answered, as she unlocked the door:

"Yes, we'll keep it, for it showed me that you care for me and not for my clothes."

Epicurean Elephants.

An elephant's digestive functions are very rapid, and the animal, therefore, requires daily a large amount of fodder—six hundred pounds at least. In its wild state, the elephant feeds heartily, but wastefully. It is careful in selecting the few forest trees which it likes for their bark or foilage. But it will tear down branches and leave half of them untouched. It will strip off the bark from other trees and throw away a large portion.

As it is a nocturnal animal, it selects its trees by the sense of touch and smell. Its sense of smell is so delicate that a wild elephant can wind an enemy at a distance of one thousand yards, and the nerves of its trunk are so sensitive the smallest substance can be discovered and picked up by its proboscis.

An elephant's palate is very delicate, and the animal is whimsical in selecting or rejecting morsels of food.

Sir Samuel Baker, in his "Wild Beasts and Thier Ways," tells an anecdote illustrative of the whims of a tame elephant belonging to the police of Dhubri:

"This elephant was fed with rice and plantains. The stems of the plantains were split and cut into transverse sections two feet in length. Three-quarters of a pound of rice was placed within each tube of plantain stem.

"One day, while the elephant was being fed, a lady offered the animal a small, sweet biscuit. It was taken in the trunk and almost immediately thrown on the ground.

"The mahout, or driver, thinking that the elephant had behaved rudely, picked up the biscuit and inserted it in a parcel of rice within a plantain stem.

"This was placed in the elephant's mouth, and at the very first crunch it showed its dislike by spiting out the whole mess. The small biscuit had disgusted the animal, and for several minutes it tried by its inserted trunk to rake out every atom from its tongue and throat."

Women and Exercise.

A woman who has given this important subject much attention says that water and air are the best tonics and beautifiers. For bathing purposes she recommends long mittens made from Turkish toweling. At night the mittens should be put in a wash-bowl of water, in which a little fine salt has been dissolved. On rising in the morning wring out the mittens, put them on and rub the whole body briskly. Dry on a towel, not too coarse, and dress quickly. Then go out of doors, if only for five minutes. Walking is the best exercise. If you cannot walk half a mile at first, walk a quarter; keep on walking the distance until you can do three or four miles without fatigue. Fresh air will put a good color in the face, and when the health is good and the blood circulates freely, the nerves will be all right.

SHE CAME OUT AHEAD.

A Man Should be Careful When He Begins to Argue With His Wife.

Grigson has a habit of waiting until they go to bed to tell his wife the gossip he has picked up during the day. He reads four or five papers, ads. and all, between supper and bed time, and his wife knows the fruitlessness and danger of attempting to pick any talk out of him while this news-absorbing process is going on. By the time Grigson, with his hand on the gas key, has made a survey of the room between the light and the bed, and pulls the coverings over him, he appears to his wife to be just getting livened up for the day, and wants to talk, while she is sleepy and wants to slumber. She always makes a brave effort to keep awake, however, and to mumble an occasional "M-mh," and "Yes?" and "Well?" at the proper times. When the story is especially long and drawn out, however, she cannot help, for the life of her, dropping off completely to sleep. When she does this she unvaryingly rouses herself when she hears her husband mutter, "Blamed if I don't believe that woman is sound asleep," and says: "Go on; I am listening."

"I'll bet thirty cents that you don't remember a word I said to you in bed last night," said Grigson to his wife the other morning at breakfast.

"Indeed, I do remember everything you said," she replied, but it could be seen that she was doing some hard thinking as she said it.

"For instance," went on Grigson, "I suppose you recall that I said Thompson is drinking hard, and——"

"Yes," chimed in Mrs. Grigson, "and that he is liable to lose his position if he don't stop, and——"

"Now I've got you," exclaimed Grigson, triumphantly, throwing down his napkin—for Grigson is notorious among his wife's women friends as a mean old thing—"I've got you pat. I didn't mention Thompson's name last night, and I don't suppose he ever took half a dozen drinks in his life. So you were clearly asleep all the time, and that's all there is about it."

But Mrs. Grigson didn't bat an eyebrow.

"Tom, she said, after a minute, "don't you think some good doctor could cure you of your habit of saying such strange things when you are asleep and dreaming."

Grigson looked at his wife in silence. "Minnie," he said, solemnly, "I give you up. What's the use of your belonging to all these church societies, anyhow?"—Washington Star.

A Sure Test.

Bella—What can I do to bring the Count to my feet?

Donna—Drop a nickel on the floor.

Easing His Conscience.

"Well," said the deacon, "I sold old Bill to-day."

"Who to?" asked his wife.

"Jim Allenbaugh. Got $50 fer 'im."

"Fifty dollars! I don't see how your conscience ever let you let anybody pay that much for a balky horse that ain't worth more'n $15."

"Well," said the deacon, thoughtfully, "I don't believe I could have done it only I know that Jim will take him out on one of his Sunday fishin' trips, an' old Bill will balk, and Jim will hev a chance to set fer three or four hours meditatin' on the sin of Sabbath breakin'."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Freak.

Dime Museum Proprietor—What is your line?

Applicant for Engagement—I am a lightning calculator, and——

"Can't use you! Lightning calculators are so common that they have ceased to have any attraction whatever for the public."

"But I am able to instantly tell how many days there are in any month without repeating the doggerel, 'Thirty days hath September,' and so on. I——"

"Name your price, my dear fellow! Name your price."—New York Truth.

A Day of Rest.

Sunday-School Superintendent — Can any of you tell me why Sunday is called the day of rest?

Little Dick (holding up his hand)—I kin. It's 'cause we get up early and hurry through breakfast fas' so's to dress in time for Sunday-school, and then hurry to Sunday-school so we won't be late, and then skip inter church 'fore the bell stops ringin', and then go home to dinner and get fixed up fur afternoon servive, an' then get supper an' go to bed so pa and ma can get ready for evening service. That's all we do.—New York Weekly.

A Matter of Circumstances.

"What do you intend to do with that picture?" asked the artist's friend.

"That's one of my disappointments," was the reply. "It's a ched d'oeuvre."

"Why, you ought to be proud of it, then."

"No. I started it as a pot-boiler. But the man who ordered it changed his mind and refused to pay for it. There's nothing now for me to do but add it to my collection of masterpieces."—Washington Star.

Don't Approve of It.

"Say, Weary, they's a-talkin' of increasin' the stamp taxes."

"That's dead wrong, me boy. When they begins on that sort o' taxatin' there's no tellin' where it 'll end. Fust thing you know they'll be makin' th' boys put rush stamps on th' beer pails!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

DRIED UP ON AN ISLAND.

Four Sailors Actually Cremated by Solar Heat.

Uncle Robert William Quimby of Lewiston says that he has traveled in all the warm countries of the globe and that he has been in the coldest latitudes. He does not think that we have such very hot weather. If people would make provision for the hot days as they do in India, he thinks we should not notice it so much.

"But," says he, "the warmest weather that I ever experienced was on a small island called John's Biscuit, off Cape Gracias, on the coast of Honduras. The Elizabeth Jennings, on which I sailed in 1870 from Portland, stopped there for water, and a boat's crew went ashore for it. It was a little volcanic island and awful dry and hot. We didn't know whether there would be any water there or not, but we did find a spring with a stream as large as a broomhandle pouring out all the time. And, do you believe me, the water was dried up and soaked up before it had run four feet in the sand. The place was covered with dried trees, and a little distance away was what looked like a hut—a habitation for man. We went in and found the shrunken remains of four men, sailors probably, who had died in one night, to judge from appearances. One was leaning against the wall in a sitting position. There was dry food on the table, dry meat in a box and everything was burning dry.

"A letter in the pocket of one man was dated Liverpool, 1846, and on the table was a bottle with a note in it, evidently intended to be cast adrift. It said they were four English seamen, marooned by the captain, left to die. The note was dated 1846, and I suppose they had been there dead in that hut for over thirty years, and they must have died of heat one day and dried right up. We left them where we found them."

"Open Sesame" at a Market.

The city has a new plaything in the form of the electric doors at the Dwight street entrance to the new city market. These doors are one of the chief attractions of the market, judging from the streams of people who keep passing in and out of the entrance just to have "sesame open." These doors are the only electric doors in use this side of Chicago and many will undoubtedly find them worth coming miles to see.

As one steps on the wire mat at the entrances and sees the huge doors open swiftly but noiselessly before him he thinks that he has, indeed, touched the mainsprings of life. If one person is following another, the door being in the act of closing, does not like the ordinary door slam in one's face, but gently recedes from whatever position it may have reached and the passage is clear until the person or persons have passed through. When there are enough passers to fill the doorway both doors stand wide open, apparently lifeless, but when the last person is through the portals close in a twinkling.

One of the most mysterious things about the whole thing is that standing upon the same spot on the mat, at one time controls one door, at another the other, depending upon the position of the doors and whether one is entering or leaving the building. When the doors are closed no current is used and the cost of operation is extremely small. The 110-volt regular current is used. Each door is provided with an ingeniously devised guard that directs to the right hand side, thus protecting from the other wing opening should a passer approach from the opposite side to leave the building while you are entering.—Springfield Republican.

Tallest Steel Chimney.

The new steel chimney, 217 feet high, at the Ridgewood pumping station in Brooklyn, has been completed. It is said to be the tallest structure of the kind in the country, and it is visible from a great distance. The plates in the structure number 137, and cary in weight from 800 to 1,400 pounds, and in thickness from a quarter of an inch to a half-inch.

The tube measures 20 feet 7 inches at the base and tapers to 8 feet at the top. The braces are on the inside, and consist of 205 iron rods, ⅝ of an inch in diameter and placed twelve inches apart. There is a filling in of bricks for a distance of 108 feet from the base to prevent injury from heat. The foundation for the chimney is 25 feet square. On the concrete and brick foundation rest eight octagonal granite blocks weighing 6½ tons each. On these is placed a circular bed plate, which is fastened by twelve steel anchor bolts 22 feet long and 2½ inches in diameter. The cost was $10,000, and the chimney was put up in about half the time which would have been required in putting up a brick chimney of equal dimensions. The furnaces of ten boilers of 250 horse-power each are to be connected with the chimney.

The Bicycle Lamp.

A German manufacturer of bicycle lamps has adapted the latest models of these lamps for use within doors, and has produced a lamp for pianos or for students which is superior to anything known. The light is concentrated upon the music or book, and since the lens can be moved around a horizontal axis to throw the light up or down on any particularly point, it will be exceedingly serviceable for many trades where a strong light is required upon a certain point, as for engravers, watchmakers and kindred occupations.

Frog Hunting in Holland.

Frog-hunting is now prohibited by law in Belgium. The Belgian hunters, however, continue their amphibious occupation in Holland, and from Sasvan-Gent have recently sent in one one-half day as many as 20,000 frogs' legs on ice to Paris. These delicacies fetch between twopence and threepence apiece, and some of the hunters find the calling very remunerative.

The First Gas Engine.

The first practical gas engine was that of Lenoir and was made in 1860, whilst the forerunner of the present type of gas and gasoline engine only dates from 1876, when the Otto principle was first applied.

WHEELWOMEN RIDE TOO FAR.

For Those Who Are Beginning There is a Great Danger in Overdoing.

"Women who ride bicycles should make it a law with themselves never to ride after a feeling of weariness comes over them," said a well-known physician recently. For those who are beginning, especially, and in a measure for all women, there is a great danger in overdoing. Some women ride centuries, it is true, but they are men in strength. No ordinary woman should start out before knowing how far she is going. Ordinarily, though, they ride twice as far as they ought. They start out and ride away from home until they get tired. Then they have to ride back, getting more and more exhausted with every turn of the wheels. No ordinary woman who rides once or twice a week should go more than ten miles at a trip. That is perhaps an hour's ride, that may be easily extended to an hour and a quarter before that distance is covered; and if she does not feel fresh and in a glow when she stops, she may be certain that she has ridden too long. Naturally there is a healthy tired feeling which anyone recognizes after athletic exercise, but it is quite different from and never to be mistaken for the weariness which comes of too much exertion and straining of the nerves and muscles. Very few women have ever been injured on a bicycle who kept to this rule and limited their riding to normal distances.

"The limit of distance which is suggested by the first feeling of weariness is only a little more important than the limit of speed which the female is capable of undergoing under healthy exercising rules. Whether a man can ride at full speed for a long distance and still retain his good health is a doubtful question. It is certain, however, that no woman can keep up a high rate of speed for even a generous portion of a mile and not create the beginnings of injuries. The added strength required to increase speed even a little after a certain amount of power has been expended is out of all proportion to the results. There is no relaxation of the muscles between the revolution of the pedals, nor any let up on the nervous and muscular strain while the speed lasts. The heart is far more taxed than one realizes at the moment, and that species of tingling or numbness in the nerves and muscles which often results is only a sign that they have both been overtaxed."

Ham Patties.

Chop bits of boiled ham very fine (those unfit for slicing). To this add for one pint of meat, one cup of bread crumbs, one teaspoonful white pepper one saltspoonful celery, one-half cup milk. Mix, fill patty pans and bake twenty minutes.

Lemon Flavoring.

If you need only to use the juice of lemons, cut off as thinly as possible their yellow rind, put it into a wide-mouthed bottle, covered with gin or brandy, fill up from time to time; this will give as good a flavor as essence of lemon.

ANNUAL STATEMENT

OF

BLOOM POOR DISTRICT,

for the year ending January 4, 1897.

JOHN K. GROTZ, Treasurer.

DR.

To balance on hand at last settlement	$ 948 41	
Cash from all sources	5556 23	$6504 64

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By old orders paid	28 67	
" new orders paid	5921 61	
" Note paid	300 00	
" commission 2 per cent	125 00	6375 28
Balance on hand		$ 129 36

RECAPITULATION OF MONEYS RECEIV'D.

J. M. Rote, collector	$ 218 88	
D. S. Patterson, collector	493 79	
S. N. Smith, collector	260 30	
C. E. Hartman, collector	874 59	
John K. Bittenbender, col	2301 81	
W. W. Kester	91 50	
Self	37 65	
Farm produce	429 47	
Discounts	787 91	
County	43 69	
Cook wages	11 64	
Returned by Gibbons family	10 00	
Mary Long settlement	198 00	
		$5556 23

IN ACCOUNT WITH COLLECTORS.

J. K. Bittenbender, col. 1895 amt. duplicate	$ 3363 35	
Amt. paid	2438 76	
Amt. due		$ 924 59
J. K. Bittenbender, col. 1896 duplicate	3448 59	
Amt. paid	1200	
Amt. due		2248 59
C. E Hartman, col. 1896 duplicate	$ 769 01	
Paid August 25	235	
Amt. due		$ 534 01
D. S. Patterson, col. 1896 duplicate	$ 557 29	
Amt. paid	200	
Amt. due		$ 357 29
J. M. Rote, col. 1896 duplicate	$ 209 37	
Amt. paid	165 23	
Amt. due		$ 44 14
J. M. Smith, col. 1896 duplicate	$ 284 38	
Amt. paid	122 30	
Amt. due		$ 162 08
Amt. due less ex. and com		4360 70

EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

DANVILLE STATE HOSPITAL.

Geo. Fox 52 2-7 weeks @	$1.75	$ 91 50
Jesse Kelly 52 2-7 "	"	91 50
L. Z Kahler 52 2-7 "	"	91 50
Alza Sterner 52 2-7 "	"	91 50
Carrie Turrell 52 2-7 "	"	91 50
J. W. Osman 52 2-7 "	"	91 50
W. W. Kester 52 2-7 "	"	91 50
		$ 640 50

SALARIES AND FEES.

Dr. Christain	50 00
" E. H. Smith	25 00
" Wackenhuth	9 00
" Shultz	15 00
" Clark	1 00
" Bruner	18 00
" Harter	5 00
" Rutter	100 00
Isaiah Hagenbuch	81 25
O. T. Wilson	81 25
M. H. Rhodes	81 25
Thos Webb	100 00
P. A. Kline	650 01
W. H. Snyder	73 75
R. R. Little	25 00
Chas Lee settlement in full for damages	50 00
	$ 1366 41

EXPENSES OF ALMSHOUSE.

Provisions and supplies	305 69
Fuel and light	161 88
Clothing and shoes	60 26
Furniture and bedding	6 50
Dry goods	15 89
Medical supplies	17 49
Blacksmithing	33 92
Harness repairs	10 35
Wagon and implements	45 15
Hardware	137 61
W. O. Holmes, repairs	17 56
Extracting teeth	2 10
Tobacco	92 11
Lime	72 56
Manure	89 75
Phosphate	52 10
Weighing	60
Insurance on buildings	72 60
Surveying	2 50
Clearing new ground	16[illegible]
Building new fence	59 63
1 brood sow	10 00
1 hog	5 10
Cider barrels	4 50
Fruit trees	25 [illegible]
Seed potatoes, plants, &c	15 80
C. W. Trump 1 plow and points	14 30
W. L. White 1 land roller, 1 plow, &c	41 65
N. J. Englehart, 1 set hay ladders	10 60
Isaiah Howell, use of binder to cut harvest	11 25
Morden & Kline, making cider	3 54
W. H. Brower, carpet	18 75
	$1452 44

OUTSIDE RELIEF

Stacy Welliver	61 86
Gibbons family	74 16
Daniel Riardow	1 50
Mrs. Remley	3 00
Mrs Burnett	39 54
Mrs Reynolds	92 10
Jacob Adams	77 38
Mrs Albright	12 25
Mrs. Whitmer	7 50
Geo. Samuels	66 10
C. Creveling	55 [illegible]
W. Ingold	3 00
Abbie Evans	73 00
Chas. Diggs	3 35
A. Ritch	6 [illegible]
Mrs. Brewer	18 50
E. Lenard	7 76
O. F. Swisher	8 95
Hester Bomboy	5 25
Mrs. Hutchins	1 10
Jno. Shaffer	90 89
T. E. Swisher	7 95
David Renner	71 25
Daniel Ball	12 00
Wm. Carter	6 00
Geo. Ivey	68 25
J. Martz	1 50
Edward Ryan	4 10
J. A. Hower	6 25
Mrs. Hildebrandt	6 15
Mrs. Harleigh	12 00
Chas. Hall	2 01
Ann Muffley	3 01
Anna Eckenroth	1 75
W. Splain	2 00
Mrs Johnson	7 50
Mrs. Printz	1 40
Mrs. Rimard	20 00
Jno. Henson	2 00
Henry Swisher	5 13
W. D. Golder	4 10
J. Magill	3 50
Mary Long	14 94
Mrs. Shoemaker	5 01
Jane Williams	2 15
Mrs. Campbell	17 75
Chas. Cook	7 01
Roy Long	9 50
Luke Rhone	3 25
Robt. Long	9 50
A. Y. Hess	7 85
Mrs Sarah Long	14 72
Mrs Green	4 25
Roy Cadow	5 87
Mrs. Correll	7 25
Mrs. Jones	14 85
A. N. Yohe	4 00
Long's boy	3 25
Gordon boy	2 57
Fishingcreek Poor Dist. for S. Welliver	9 00
R. R. tickets and meals for tramps	28 00
	$ 1139

SUNDRY EXPENSES.

Traveling expenses	22 04
Orders of relief to different persons	30 00
Printing	69 35
Stationery	2 45
Postage	7 88
Clothing for Geo. Evans at Elwyn Ins't	20 00
Expenses for sending Maurice Mathews boy bitten by mad dog) to Pasteur's Ins't	226 25
Funeral expenses of Jacob Adams	23 50
Coffin for Mrs Lloyd	15 00
Settlement in full with Windham Poor Dist	493 24
Settlement in full with Milton Poor District	93 42
W. H. Thomas, sawing lumber	11 17
P. A. Kline, paid sundry small bills	15 40
Expenses of hail and wind storms, work and material	534 34
	$ 1570 94
	$ 6179 67

The undersigned auditors of the Bloom Poor District, having examined the foregoing accounts of the District for the year 1896, find them correct as above set forth, and so approve them.

BOYD TRESCOTT,
O. M. HESS,
I. A. DEWITT,
J. E. WHITE,
PETER H. FREEZE } Auditors.

PRODUCTS OF FARM FOR 1896.

238 bushels	wheat	214 20
120 "	rye	48 00
804 "	oats	201 00
1410 "	corn ears	246 75
66 "	buckwheat	26 40
25 "	sweet corn	21 00
180 "	potatoes	45 00
2 "	onions	1 00
3 "	beans	3 00
3 "	beets	1 50
14 tons	hay	196 00
1600 lbs.	pork	80 00
450 "	lard	31 50
400 "	beef	20 00
300 "	butter	48 00
50 doz.	eggs	7 50
16	shoats	48 00
1	heifer	20 00
2860	sheaves corn fodder	78 80
		$ 1333 65

LOSS BY STORMS.

350 bushels	buckwheat	130 00
200 "	corn ears	35 00
100 "	oats	25 00
300 "	apples	60 00
10 "	beets	2 50
200	sheaves corn fodder	5 00
1	hog	40 00
40	turkeys	25 00
100	chickens	30 00
1500	heads cabbage	10 00
1000	stalks celery	25 00
40	loads pumpkins	
30	tons of ice, no charge	
		$ 393 50

VALUE OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Balance on Bloom dup.	1895	924 59
" " " "	1894	2248 59
" " Scott "	1896	534 01
" " Gre'nwood dup.	'96	357 29
" " Millville "	"	44 14
" " Sugarloaf "	"	162 08
		$ 4270 70
Farm and buildings		12300 00
4 horses		450 00
5 cows		125 00
1 heifer		30 00
1 bull		30 00
11 sheep		35 00
3 brood sows		30 00
12 shoats		24 00
5 turkeys		5 00
100 chickens		25 00
150 bushels wheat		142 00
72 " rye		38 80
500 " corn ears		87 50
6 tons hay		84 00
1400 sheaves corn fodder		28 00
100 bushels potatoes		25 00
400 lbs beef		20 00
1600 " pork		80 00
450 " lard		31 50
7 tons coal		52 00
20 acres wheat in ground		160 00
15 " rye " "		60 00
Furniture in almshouse		250 00
" " Stewards house		250 00
Farm'g implements, wagons &c		763 00
		$14632 93

OCCUPANTS OF ALMSHOUSE.

Number of paupers at last report	10	
Admitted during year	25	
		35
Discharged during year	20	
Remaining at end of year	15	
		35
Number from Bloom	8	
" " Greenwood	7	
" " Scott	1	
" " Sugarloaf	1	
" " Millville	1	
		15

ISAIAH HAGENBUCH,
O. T. WILSON,
M. H. RHODES,
Directors

STATEMENT OF FINANCES OF COLUMBIA COUNTY

FROM JANUARY 1, 1896, TO JANUARY 4, 1897.

DISTRICTS.	TAXES ASSESSED 1896. County.	Dog.	State.	STILL DUE 1895. County.	Dog.	State.	COUNTY, 1896. Com.	Dis.	DOG, 1896. Com.	Dis.	STATE, 1896. Com.	Dis.	COUNTY, 1895. Com.	Exon.	Returns	DOG, 1895. Com.	Exon.	State 1895 Com.	COUNTY, 1894. Exon.	Returns	DOG, 1894. Ex.	State, 1894. Ex.	County, 1893. Ex.	DOG, 1893. Ex.	State, 1893. Ex.	DOG, 1889. Ex.
Beaver	$ 691 69	$ 53 00	$ 34 29	$ 486 06	$ 40 50	$ 19 81	$ 11 43	.....	$ 58	.....	$ 73	.....	.....	$ 13 57	34 67	....	$ 1 00	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Benton Boro	319 20	10 70	46 39	81 86	4 50	2 68	7 67	9 74	17	30	1 39	1 84	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Benton Twp	572 40	61 00	39 79	252 60	35 00	.....	10 27	11 00	96	80	1 13	1 99	.....	7 80	25	....	3 00	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Berwick	2259 08	48 00	493 65	411 65	26 00	85 56	39 90	84 15	69	97	10 12	14 59	10 27	15 29	3 25	45	4 00	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bloom	5758 86	120 50	1665 46	2744 17	103 50	320 74	70 36	129 63	32	85	28 82	61 96	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	205 07	21 08	30 50	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Briarcreek	1174 78	39 00	306 69	142 34	12 00	11 69	34 22	24 21	38	85	8 41	14 75	18 75	5 86	92	2 50	3 60	50	44 25	.....	3 50	3 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Catawissa Twp	1827 76	50 50	478 94	225 42	21 00	60 43	29 43	41 44	1 00	74	8 56	19 93	16 31	39 81	1 43	75	9 00	95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Catawissa Bor.	1327 76	21 00	431 08	299 17	21 00	431 08	.....	30 06	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 88	.....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Centralia	941 2	21 00	431 08	299 17	21 00	431 08	.....	30 06	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	12 78	4 91	3 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Centre	1518 99	19 70	182 17	108 99	19 50	12 17	15 80	41 00	1 14	2 00	3 99	7 00	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cleveland	608 78	68 50	104 14	212 89	34 00	14 91	14 89	11 39	1 19	90	2 77	3 93	.....	1 41	4 40	....	1 00	....	158 21	50 74	9 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Conyngham	1918 99	32 50	19 00	312 50	32 50	19 00	35 44	77 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 31	.....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fishingcreek	1079 32	73 00	89 30	499 32	33 00	.....	20 63	13 50	1 87	1 00	2 91	3 62	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Franklin	515 47	46 50	59 49	5 50	16 50	.....	15 40	25 68	86	1 50	1 14	2 00	.....	1 25	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenwood	939 37	67 00	120 95	401 61	41 98	22 99	18 98	20 42	89	82	2 79	4 93	.....	5 96	1 29	....	5 50	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hemlock	981 35	75 00	62 58	319 55	38 50	3 40	22 05	24 84	1 30	1 23	1 84	3 36	.....	6 93	4 13	....	4 00	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jackson	986 84	39 50	66 82	115 80	33 50	7 81	7 41	3 79	17	30	1 68	2 95	.....	2 80	32	....	50	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Locust	814 35	64 50	230 70	204 11	36 32	4 72	21 78	19 82	95	1 28	5 91	8 71	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madison	1023 59	74 50	110 40	374 51	44 00	11 01	19 30	21 23	1 15	88	2 83	4 97	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Main	593 79	4 50	148 62	266 15	22 00	18 20	10 58	13 76	58	70	3 16	5 49	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	1 99	1 05	2 50	2 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mifflin	872 42	80 50	108 39	307 26	44 00	11 59	20 18	18 78	1 25	1 18	2 85	4 60	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	4 55	5 42	1 00	14 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Millville	349 41	8 00	390 34	58 56	8 49	2 80	15 21	19 08	36	23	1 80	3 16	9 44	.....	.....	45	.....	03	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Montour	785 68	15 50	65 72	317 49	24 50	6 92	15 83	13 36	1 16	93	1 71	2 65	.....	1 50	33	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant	593 84	77 51	63 98	165 33	21 00	15 62	24 70	29 20	1 02	83	6 93	12 01	.....	2 34	2 84	....	9 00	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orange	915 38	68 50	257 40	170 37	21 00	24 56	11 49	6 29	21	38	40	69	5 03	.....	.....	35	.....	46	7 47	22 34	11 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pine	397 46	43 50	38 44	113 69	34 00	24 56	10 20	6 93	78	43	3 38	5 16	.....	1 52	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roaringcreek	410 33	34 00	111 76	146 75	14 90	.....	30 49	31 39	80	88	8 63	12 72	.....	19 31	6 24	....	3 50	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Scott	1278 12	14 00	319 32	394 52	40 50	37 51	9 39	37 46	34	58	19	31	.....	3 42	4 82	....	1 50	....	18 89	52	4 50	.....	19 18	7 62	.....	.....	.....
Sugarloaf	478 51	82 50	19 06	223 46	70 65	12 56																					
	$28801 61	$ 1505 00	$ 1947 77	$ 9936 11	$ 912 24	$ 1178 06	$569 79	$747 89	$ 20 23	$ 21 05	$125 26	$224 40	$ 78 99	$128 70	$ 65 05	$4 50	$ 49 50	$2 08	$433 16	$106 06	$ 68 35	$ 20 00	$ 66 50	$ 15 12	$102 44	$ 10 00	

AMOUNTS DUE FROM COLLECTORS PREVIOUS TO 1896.

DISTRICT.	YEAR.	COLLECTORS.	COUNTY.	DOG.	STATE.
Benton Boro	1895	D. J. Lewis	$ 9 97	$ 10 00	$ 2 54
Bloom	1895	J. K. Bittenbender	1389 38	120 50	73 57
Catawissa Boro	1895	P. H. Baldy	1 00		
Centralia	1895	W. E. Davis	324 92	25 00	141 94
Centre	1895	W. E. Creasy	228 68	28 00	3 07
Conyngham	1895	Jacob Benner	213 42	31 50	90
Fishingcreek	1895	O. J. Hess	236 41	10 00	
Locust	1895	E. H. Whitner	73 92	16 41	2 82
Madison	1895	G. W. Ande, D. N. Williams	199 01	26 62	20 57
Main	1895	A. W. Shuman	190 59	22 00	19 68
Mifflin	1895	W. B. Goodheart	88 71	29 50	25
Montour	1895	James Quick	179 45	11 00	4 16
Mt. Pleasant	1895	P. P. Davis	1 00		
Orange	1895	Perry DeLong	20 00	3 00	
Pine	1895	R. M. Potter	8 57	75 50	13 25
Locust	1894	E. H. Whitner	48 06	6 40	
Madison	1894	Geo. W. Ande	62 62	38 00	12 77
Beaver	1893	Simon Rittenhouse		4 61	2 54
Bloom	1893	M. C. Woodward	1355 16	62 50	393 88
Conyngham	1893		318 02	38 00	
Conyngham	1892	Chas. Welderman	127 15	34 50	6 80
Millville	1892	W. B. Geaman	9 11	2 50	8 78
Centralia	1891	Thos. Liddicoat	18 00		1 18
Conyngham	1893	W. H. Reinbold	31 31	34 70	
			$ 5134 89	$ 570 24	$ 709 10

LICENSE ACCOUNT.

DISTRICTS.	TOWNSHIP SHARE.	TREAS. COM.	COUNTY SHARE.	WHO DREW TOWNSHIP SHARE.
Beaver	$ 57 00	$ 3 00	$ 15 00	Hiram Eckroat.
Benton Boro	342 00	18 00	90 00	W. H. Magill, Att'y.
Berwick Boro. Hotels	342 00	18 00	90 00	First National Bank of Berwick.
Berwick Boro. Restaurants	342 00	18 00	90 00	First National Bank of Berwick.
Bloom Hotels	684 00	36 00	180 00	J. H. Maize and A. N. Yost.
Bloom Restaurants	684 00	36 00	180 00	J. H. Maize and A. N. Yost.
Briarcreek Hotel	57 00	3 00	15 00	Adam Sult.
Catawissa Boro. Hotels	342 00	18 00	90 00	C. E. Geyer, Att'y.
Catawissa " Restaurants	228 00	12 00	60 00	C. E. Geyer, Att'y.
Catawissa twp. Hotels	114 00	6 00	30 00	John Huber and Wm. Levan.
Centralia Boro. Hotels	912 00	48 00	240 00	Geo. W. Davis, Treas.
Centralia Boro. Restaurants	1026 00	54 00	270 00	Geo. W. Davis, Treas.
Conyngham twp. Hotels.	228 00	12 00	60 00	W. A. Marr, Att'y.
Conyngham " Restaurants	171 00	9 00	45 00	W. A. Marr, Att'y.
Greenwood Hotel	171 00	9 00	45 00	S. A. Miller.
Hemlock	57 00	3 00	15 00	Wm. A. Miller.
Locust	114 00	6 00	30 00	John Bittner.
Madison	114 00	6 00	30 00	Elias Hendershott.
Main	114 00	6 00	30 00	J. C. Shuman.
Mifflin	114 00	6 00	30 00	W. P. Hetler and H. D. Miller.
Montour	57 00	3 00	15 00	Michael Rauch.
Orange	114 00	6 00	30 00	I. J. Neyhard.
Pine	57 00	3 00	15 00	G. H. Gordner.
Scott	114 00	6 00	30 00	M. M. Hicks.
Sugarloaf	228 00	12 00	60 00	J. B. Davis and Gearhart Hess.
Sugarloaf Restaurants	171 00	9 03	45 00	J. B. Davis and Gearhart Hess.
	$6954 00	$ 386 00	*$830 00	

*Commission on County share of license subject to the final decision of an appeal now pending.

J. R. FOWLER, County Treasurer, in account with Columbia County.

Jan. 4, 1897. DR.

To amt of county tax on dup. of 1896	$18550 85	
To amt of dog tax on dup. of 1896	551 48	
To amt of state tax on dup. of 1896	4420 05	$23522 38
To amt of county tax on dup. prior to 1896	$8553 79	
To amt on dog tax on dup. prior to 1896	791 80	
To amt on state tax on dup. prior to 1896	313 46	$ 9659 05
To total amt received on dups.		33181 43
To amt rec'd from seat'd lands	$1795 28	
To amt received from unseated lands	2302 75	4098 03
To amt rec'd from Silas Getz, et.al. for redemption money	216 55	216 55
To amt rec'd from H. F. Everitt refunded road view expenses	21 40	
To amt rec'd from S. C. Creasy town order	14 45	
To amt received Philip Sidler, Com. costs refunded	41 02	
To amt from O. D. McHenry, Com's land sale	85 50	
To amt rec'd from G. W. Koons Com's land sale	11 00	
To amt rec'd from E.M. Tewksbury, Com's land sale	59 48	
To amt rec'd from Geo. E. Elwell, committee, support of Margaret Weaver	68 75	
To amt rec'd from L. S. Wintersteen. Com's land sale	22 63	
To amt rec'd from Treasurer of Northumberland county, repairs Joint bridge 1895	6 50	
To amt rec'd from Com's of Northumberland Co., repairs Joint bridge 1896	21 98	
To amt rec'd from Jacob Rhoads, old files Reg. office.	80	
To amt rec'd from J. W. Kreamer, old files, Reg. office	45	
To amt rec'd from O. B. Mellick, old files Reg. office	3 75	
To amt rec'd from Overseer of Poor, Danville, support of Geo. Wise, Danville Asylum.	185 25	
To amt rec'd from Howard Grimes, et. al., Catawissa bridge wreckage	44 00	
To amt rec'd from Wellington Yeager. Catawissa bridge wreckage	55 00	
To amt rec'd from W. H. Vastine, Cata. bridge wreckage.	29 00	
To amt rec'd from Thomas E. Harder, Catawissa bridge wreckage	40 00	
To amt rec'd from Clark F. Harder, Catawissa bridge wreckage	31 00	
To amt rec'd from W. G. Yetter, refunded road view expense	1 95	
To amt rec'd from Stephen Smith, refunded pay Feb'y election, 1896	1 00	
To amt rec'd from W. H. Utt, refunded mileage 1895	28 54	
To amt rec'd from J. G. Swank refunded mileage 1895	45 92	
To amt retained from Commonwealth overpaid on Co. indebtedness	234 50	$ 1053 87
To amt rec'd from Commonwealth personal tax for 1895.	4384 88	
To amt rec'd from Commonwealth personal tax 1896	4396 71	$ 8780 59
To amt rec'd from hotel and restaurant licenses	1820 00	
To bal on hand from last settlement	13 01 83	14901 83
		$ 62322 30

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By amt paid Commonwealth State personal tax for 1896.	5864 28	
By Treasurer's commission	59 22	5921 50
To amt sheep orders redeemed	273 50	
By Treasurer's commission	10 94	284 44
By county orders redeemed, less order No. 151 for $622. No commission on this order	622 00	
$23613 14--$624 00	22991 44	
By com to Treasurer at 4 per cent	1319 65	34933 09
By amt West creek bridge, Benton	525 00	
By amt Ash bridge, Fishingc'k	525 00	
By amt Ezra Thomas bridge, Pine	900 00	
By amt Smith bridge, Madison	400 00	
By Treas. com. at 1½ per cent	35 25	2385 25
By amt new files Reg. office	2231 53	
By Treas. com at 1½ per cent	33 47	2265 00
By amt County Supt. bill	200 00	
By Treas. com. at 4 per cent	8 00	208 00
By amt. county bonds redeemed	7800 00	
By Treas. commission @ 1½ per cent	117 00	$ 7917 00
By amt. coupons redeemed	6248 10	
By Treas. commission @ 1½ per cent	93 72	$ 6341 82
By amt. paid D. R. Coffman, court crier, for which no order was obtained from the commissioners	120 00	
By Treas. commission	4 80	$ 124 80
By amt. paid M. E. Cox et. al. tip staves, for which no order was obtained from the commissioners	177 50	
By Treas. commission	7 08	$ 184 58
By amt. paid C. B. Ent for moving the records from old files to the new, for which no order was obtained from the commissioners	20 00	
By Treas. commission	80	$ 20 80
By balance in hands J. R. Fowler, ex-Treasurer		$ 1736 02
		$62322 30

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To balance in hands J. R. Fowler, ex-Treasurer	$ 1736 02

J. R. FOWLER, Treas., in acct. with State.

Wholesale liquor, distillers, bottlers, billiard, mercantile licenses and tax on loans, county indebtedness.

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To amt wh'ls'le liquor licenses	$1000 00
" brewers and distillers	400 00
" billiard and pool	280 00
" bottlers licenses	600 00
" mercantile licenses	2425 82
" tax on Co. indebtedness	622 00
	$ 5307 82

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By amt. paid state wholesale liquor licenses	$ 950 00	
By amt. Treas. com	50 00	$ 1000 00
By amt. paid state brewers and distillers	380 00	
By amt. Treas. com	20 00	400 00
By amt. paid State billiard license	247 00	
By amt. Treas. com	13 00	260 00
By amt. paid State bottlers license	570 00	
By amt. Treas. com	30 00	600 00
By amt. paid State mercantile license	1874 70	
By amt. uncollectable	25 00	
By amt. advertising	202 60	
By amt. Treas. com.	61 95	2174 25
By amt. paid State tax on loans	590 90	
By amt. Treas. com	31 10	
By amt. over paid the State tax on loans on portion exempt	234 50	
	856 50	$ 5290 75
To balance due commonwealth		17 07

MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS.

Mattie Coffman, washing towels during year	$ 3 00
United States Express Co., et al expressage, etc	19 90
J C Brown, Prof. service in bridge estimates, etc	20 50
A C Hilday, horse hire	2 00
J R Fowler, tax on loans, county indebtedness	622 00
J R Fowler, deeds to Commissioners	267 24
James Thompson, removing and repairing booths, Centralia 1st ward	3 50
G M Quick, recording township officers	40 80
G M Quick, reporting Judgments from Sept. 1, 1895 to Dec. 31, 1896	187 40
G M Quick, recording births and deaths.	86 15
G M Quick, costs as per bill rendered	256 05
G M Quick, indexing judgments from Jan. 1, 1890 to Dec 22, 1896	1050 00
G M Quick, reports to Board of Public Charities	140 00
W H Rhawn, Telegrams and expenses, Catawissa river bridge view	7 26
J B McHenry, sheriff, expenses to Pittsburg for prisoner	82 08
J B McHenry, sheriff, taking prisoners to Philadelphia	120 14
J B McHenry, sheriff, taking prisoners to Huntingdon	113 81
J B McHenry, sheriff, expenses to Huntingdon for insane prisoner	37 10
J B McHenry, costs, county auditors vs. W C Johnston	3 75
J B McHenry, reports to Board Public Charities	40 00
C B Ent, reporting mortgages, etc	52 60
C. B. Ent, acknowledging deeds for Commissioners	31 50
J. B. McHenry, taking patients to Danville asylum	11 17
C. B. Ent, moving records from old vault to new; no order was obtained from Commissioners	20 00
	$3910 74

COURTS, JURORS' PAY, CONSTABLE'S RETURNS.

F. B. Singley, et. al., constable's returns	476 90
C. C. Ammerman, et. al., Grand Jurors during year	798 44
A. Bennett, et. al., Traverse Jurors dur-year	1908 51
Newton Walker, Stenographer	383 27
M. E. Cox, et. al., tip staves	168 50
D. R Coffman, court crier	150 00
Exchange hotel, boarding and lodging jury in Pat. Wilson case	19 50
Blue & Heddens, boarding jury Berninger case	6 50
J. B. McHenry, serving jury notices	140 10
J. B. McHenry, drawing jurors, etc	28 00
A. Herbine, jury commissioner	62 50
I. K. K. Laubach, jury commissioner	70 38
D. R. Coffman, court crier, no order was obtained from commissioners for this	120 00
M. E. Cox, et. al., tip staves, no order was obtained from the commissioners for this	177 50
	$4510 10

COSTS IN COMMONWEALTH CASES.

G. M. Quick, prothonotary	157 40
J. B. McHenry, sheriff	95 89
T. B. Hanly, attorney	37 64
J. G. Harman, attorney	166 00
Justices, constables and witnesses	1389 44
	$1906 37

ROADS AND BRIDGES, VIEWERS AND ROAD DAMAGES.

Elias Cornelison, road damage, Pine	$ 5 00
D. J. Lewis, road damage, Sugarloaf	10 00
Alinas Cole, road damage, Sugarloaf	50 00
R. F. Redline, road damage, Jackson	75 00
Robert Oman, road damage, Orange	15 00
Archibald Patterson, road damage, Orange	10 00
John Folk, road damage, Orange	5 00
G.L. Johnson, road damage, Mt. Pleasant	65 00
John Fister, road damage, Mt. Pleasant	110 00
Charles Lee, road damage, Scott	95 00
Levi Mourer, road damage Cleveland	15 00
Michael Stine, road damage, Cleveland	15 00
Charles Stine, road damage, Cleveland	15 00
J. B. Martz, road damage, Briarcreek	13 00
Joseph Lamon, road damage, Briarcreek	11 50
Christian Sigmund, road damages, Cleveland	50 00
Michael Stine, road damage, Cleveland	5 00
Isaiah Rhoads, road damage, Cleveland	3 00
Sarah Girton, road damage, Pine	25 00
H. J. Kinney, road damage, Pine	20 00
Norman Bitler, road damage, Pine	15 00
J. Murray Africa, et. al. for services as viewers, witnesses, etc., in the Catawissa river bridge view	264 65
Sundry surveyors and viewers	394 00
	$1216 15

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE AND COURT HOUSE.

W. A. Dreisbach, auditing accounts, 1895	69 48
W. M. Monroe, auditing accounts, 1895	57 96
W. F. Stohner, auditing accounts, 1895	71 40
C. M. Terwilliger, clerk for Auditors	35 00
O. B. Mellick, cement basement 17.05 Treas. office 9.60	26 65
Gorrey and Mellick, bal. contract Reg. vault	525 65
Stiffel and Freeman, metalic files, etc. Reg. vault	2231 53
Samuel Wigfall, Wellsbach lights	30 50
F. E. Miller, Wellsbach lights and repairs	4 15
Bloom Steam Heat and E. L. Co., steam heat	550 00
Bloom E. L. and Power Co., light	148 75
Bloom Gas Co., gas	67 40
Bloom Water Co., water	149 96
Harman & Hassert, repairs	60
John K. Pensyl, sundries for 1895 and 1896	7 84
Jacob Keller, wrapping paper	1 68
Creasy & Wells, lumber	5 75
Wesley Mordan, work	21 40
S. H. Mordan, lumber for Treas. office	21 37
Pursel & Harman, sundries	3 70
W. A. Evert, copying Assessment and Registry books	23 25
R. R. Zarr, assisting Commissioners office with assessments and tax duplicate	58 50
C. M. Hess, copying assessment for use of townships	11 00
F. B. Ringrose, copying assessment for use of townships	13 50
C. W. Jones, copying assessment for use of townships	5 50
Charles Sterner, carpenter work	5 00
John Lewis, slating	12 60
S. F. Peacock & Co., glass, etc.	63 06
Jesse Wilson, putting in glass	14 00
John G. Harman, desk for Supt. office	15 00
W. O. Holmes, plumbing	32 55
W. O. Holmes, hose pipe	12 78
Swank & Barndt, brooms	2 76
R. M. McBride, work Reg. office	1 80
A. C. DeShepperd, repairing locks, etc	7 55
Harrisburg Stencil Works, seals for Com. and Reg. office	7 53
C. W. Runyon, hardware	3 91
H. J. Clark & Son, ½ box soap	1 85
W. C. Coffman, hauling rubbish	1 00
W. M. Hartzell, hauling rubbish	50
W. F. Hartman, plumbing	31 83
C. B. Menagh, repairs, dials, tower clock	6 00
C. E. Savage, repairing clock, Com. office	1 00
Dieffenbach Bros., ice 29 weeks at 25c	7 25
W. H. Brower, matting	21 80
Nathaniel Kreischer, work Treas. office	50
J. W. Mover, seals	1 50
J. H. Maize, insurance, Court House	375 00
C. W. McKelvy, Jr., insurance Court House	375 00
J. H. Brugler, plans and specifications Reg. vault	25 00
The E. Howard Watch & Clock Co., oil for clock	62
D. R. Coffman janitor	300 00
W. H. Rhawn, solicitor	200 00
J. G. Swank, Commissioner	1022 94
G. M. Ikeler, Commissioner	1036 64
W. H. Utt, Commissioner	1021 44
C. M. Terwilliger, clerk	900 00
	$9650 63

COUNTY JAIL.

H. H. Kline, filing bed ticks	$ 7 00
Gingles & Son, sundries	8 43
H. J. Clark & Son, blankets $4.00, ½ box soap $1.85	5 85
John W. Masteller, clothing for prisoners	1 80
F. R. Drake, hauling ashes $7.50, repairing steps $2, painting roofs jail and stable $144.50	154 00
H. W. Watts, repairing roof jail	5 95
J. W. Mordan, work	7 00
M. M. Hartzell, hauling	1 43
Swank & Barndt, brooms	2 74
Jesse Wilson, putting in glass	3 00
Creasy & Wells, lumber	21 21
F. R. Carpenter, coal	66 90
W. R. Kocher & Co., coal	5 00
H. V. White, coal	49 50
Hess Iron Mfg. Co., repairs	2 00
Bloom Gas Co., gas	80 90
Bloom Water Co., water	55 34
J. H. Mercer, medicine for prisoners	16 80
S. F. Peacock & Co., glass, etc	7 79
W. O. Holmes, plumbing	73 60
T. C. Harter, physician	34 50
John McCormick and J. Lanyon, cleaning ditch	1 50
Jones & Walter, shoes for prisoners	1 25
H. W. Sloan, Blankets	1 75
C. W. Runyon, sundries	2 87
J. B. McHenry, Sheriff, boarding to April 30	420 75
J. B. McHenry, Sheriff, washing	119 50
J. B. McHenry, Sheriff, turnkey fees	35 50
H. H. Kline, janitor	300 00
	$1493 48

PRINTING, STATIONERY AND POSTAGE.

Benton Argus, advertising and banks	$ 6 25
Benton Argus, county statement	60 00
Benton Argus, election proclamation	65 00
	131 25
C. E. Randall, circulating county statements	6 00
C. E. Randall, tax receipts, adv. etc	21 82
C. E. Randall, election proclamation	65 00
	92 82
George E. Elwell, tax receipts, adv. etc	16 75
George E. Elwell, county statement, $60, supplements, $12.25	72 25
George E. Elwell, court calendar	28 00
George E. Elwell, election proclamation	65 00
	182 00
J. C. Brown, tax receipts, adv. &c	19 40
" " county statement	60 00
" " election proclamation	65 00
	144 40
G. A. Potter, Millville Tablet	1 00
Democratic Sentinel, adv. blanks, etc	24 00
J. W. Moyer, sundries	3 50
C. H. Dorr, tax receipts	6 00
Wm. Mann & Co., stationery	40 95
Wm. F. Murphy's sons, stationery	8 75
W. H. Slate, stationery	7 30
B. A. Issac, pens	1 25
J. H. Mercer, box rent, stamps, envelopes, etc	49 66
	$ 692 88

INQUISITIONS.

Wm. Mensch, J. P., inquest on body Wm. Scott	$ 14 74
J. D. Bodine, J. P., inquest on body Geo. Kline	11 86
Philip Harris, J. P., inquest on Lizzie Schlosser	21 09
Andrew J. Lenahan, J. P., inquest on Wm. S. Hepner	52 63
John M. Clark, J. P., inquest on body Jos. Shaffer	13 62
J. D. Bodine, J. P., et al inquest on body Samuel Dakin	19 85
Guy Jacoby, J. P., et. al. inquest on body unknown	10 56
	$ 143 85

BRIDGES, BUILDING AND REPAIRS.

BEAVER.

C. W. Troy, repairs Fisher bridge	$5 97

BENTON BOROUGH AND TOWNSHIP.

C. B. McHenry, repairs Benton bridge	$ 55 86
G. W. Knouse, repairs Ira Thomas bridge	5 93
Benton Argus, caution notice Edson	3 50
J. D. Fullmer et. al., repairs Edson	212 39
G. B. Crossley, material Edson	7 50
The King Bridge Co., West Creek twp	525 00
James Conner, removing tree Edson	2 00
George D. Yost, blacksmith, Edson	10 48
	$822 75

BLOOM.

John Mensch, filling double track bridge	$ 75
J. S. Lazarus, repairs double bridge	1 75
Peter Jones, repairs Bloom river bridge	5 00
Harmony Bros., plank Bloom river bridge	15 29
Miles Fry, work Bloom river bridge	2 00
Ziba Barnes, work Bloom river bridge	3 25
Percival Foulk, hauling and work Bloom river bridge	3 00
Bloom Car Co., lumber Bloom river bridge	4 63
Creasy & Wells, lumber Bloom river bridge	12 40
Miles Fry, work Red Rock bridge	20 92
Samuel H. Mordan, shingles Red Rock bridge	12 00
W. L. Demaree, lumber Red Rock bridge	7 03
S. F. Peacock & Co., nails Red Rock bridge	1 67
Wm. Coffman, filling Bloom river bridge	2 00
Percival Foulk, filling Red Rock bridge	75
C. W. Runyon, bolts, etc	85
	$ 93 29

BRIARCREEK.

Gideon Michael, work Rittenhouse bridge	$ 2 50
Gideon Michael, work Fairchild bridge	2 50
G. F. Martz, repairs Conner bridge	7 00
	$ 12 00

CATAWISSA.

Miller & Cooper, work river bridge	$ 82
B. W. Fortner, work and hauling river bridge	4 20
A. Jones, work river bridge	60
Jac Fisher and C. Rhawn, work river bridge	3 00
J. H. Geary, work river bridge	1 75
Thomas Hartman, work river bridge	2 13
S. H. Mordan, plank river bridge	32 00
Adam Gensil, work Catawissa creek bdg	5 50
Wm. Herner, work Catawissa creek bdg	5 50
C. S.